

ABSOLUTE CARNAGE

SCREAM



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Years ago, the Life Foundation — a dangerous conglomerate that, for a time, focused its efforts on destroying Spider-Man — captured the Venom symbiote and forced it to spawn five offspring: **Scream, Lasher, Riot, Agony and Phage.**

Donna Diego was the original host to the Scream symbiote before her **murder at the hands of Eddie Brock.** Since her death, the whereabouts of the Scream symbiote have remained unknown...

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SCREAM #1 Codex Variant



SCREAM 1

IT'S LITTLE
MORE THAN
A WHISPER.

MUFFLED BY
THE MUD.

DROWNED OUT
BY THE RAIN.

BUT I
CAN STILL
HEAR IT.

EVEN HERE, IN
THIS SHALLOW
GRAVE.

HERE, WHERE I
WAS SO
UNCEREMONIOUSLY
ABANDONED.

CALLING.

BECKONING.

SUMMONING.

IT PROMISES
SUCH SWEETNESS.

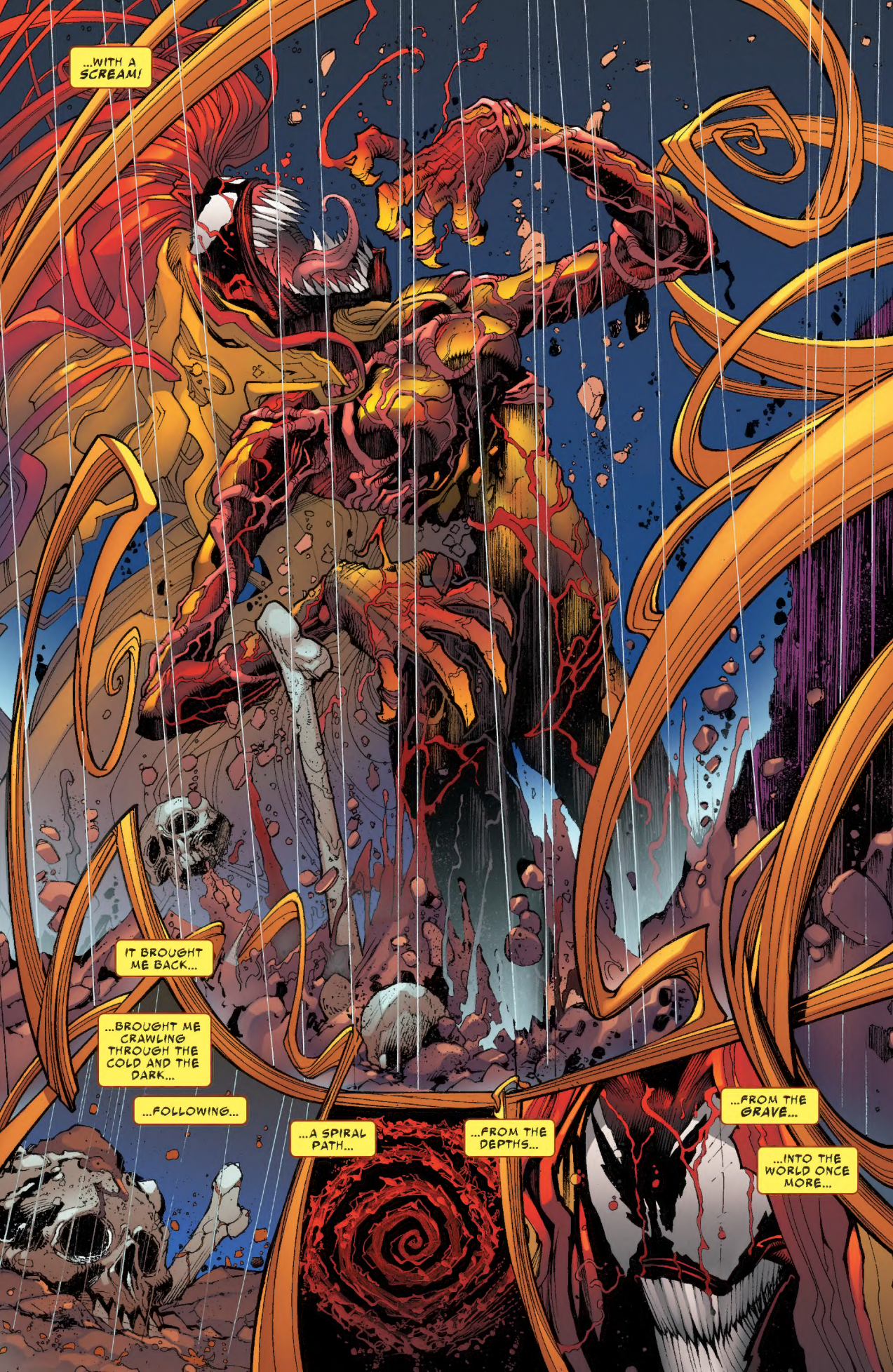
I AM NOT
FORGOTTEN,
IT TELLS ME.

I AM
NOT DEAD.

A HISS.

LITTLE MORE
THAN A WHISPER.

BUT I
ANSWER...



...WITH A
SCREAM!

IT BROUGHT
ME BACK...

...BROUGHT ME
CRAWLING
THROUGH THE
COLD AND THE
DARK...

...FOLLOWING...

...A SPIRAL
PATH...

...FROM THE
DEPTHS...

...FROM THE
GRAVE...

...INTO THE
WORLD ONCE
MORE...

...AND TOWARD
A GREATER
PURPOSE.

...A WAVE OF
VICIOUS ATTACKS
SWEEPING ACROSS
THE CITY...

...AUTHORITIES
ARE URGING
CITIZENS TO STAY
INSIDE WITH DOORS
LOCKED...

K-KEEP
MOVING!

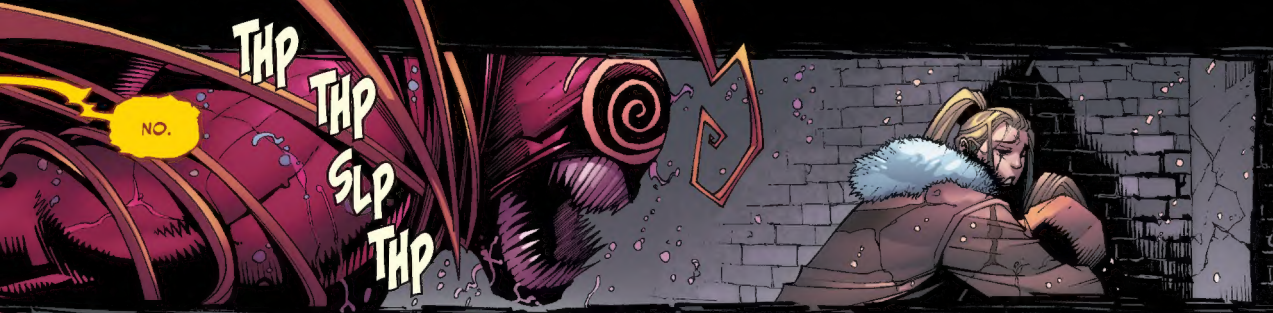
DON'T
STOP!
AND
DON'T LOOK
BACK!

hssssssssssss

KEEP
YOUR EYES
CLOSED!

WHATEVER
YOU DO--





NO.

THP THP SLP THP



NO!

THROX



YOU CAN'T HAVE THEM.

YOU...

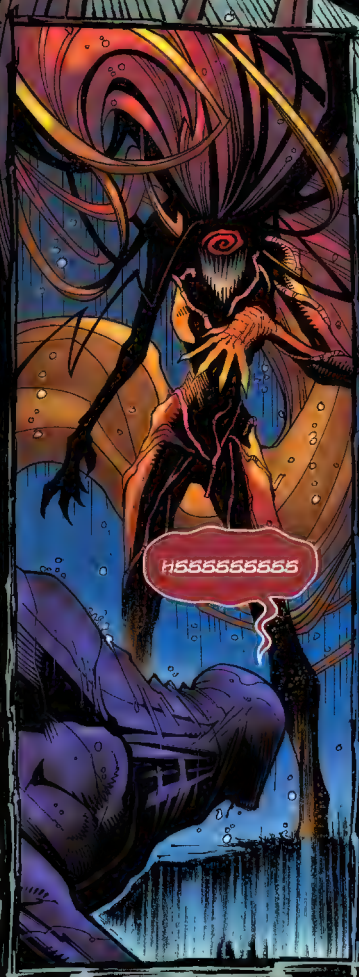
TH-THANK YOU.

YOU SAVED ME.

YOU SAVED MY CHIL--

HSSSSSS

YOU'RE--



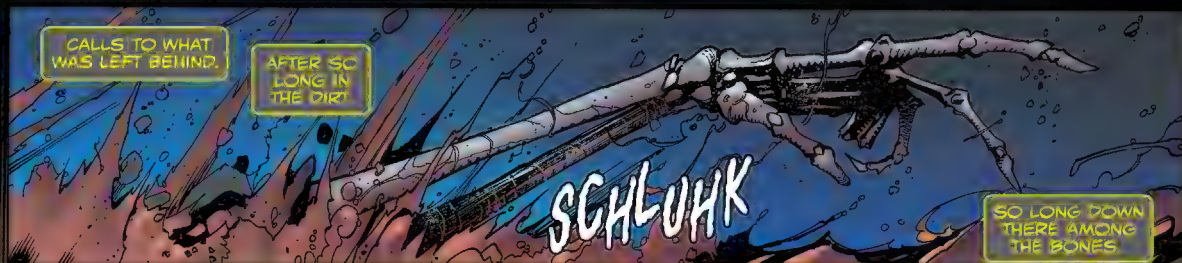


A WORM CRAWLS
THROUGH DIRT.

LEAVES
CASTINGS
BEHIND

CASTINGS
ENRICH
THE SOIL

STILL,
IT CALLS



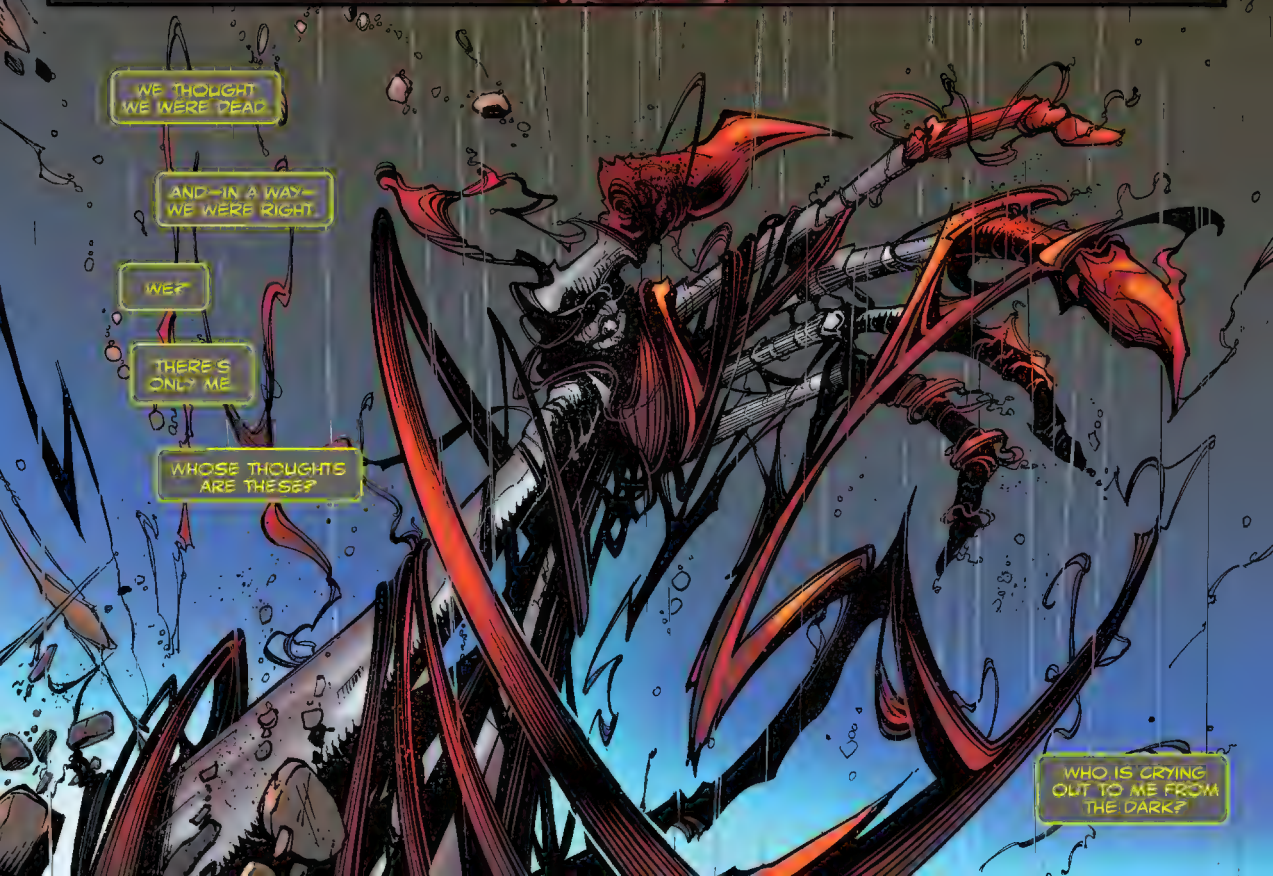
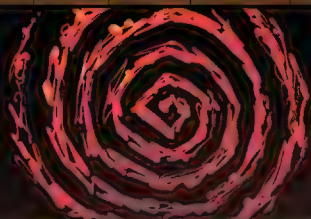
CALLS TO WHAT
WAS LEFT BEHIND.

AFTER SO
LONG IN
THE DIRT

SCHLUHK

SO LONG DOWN
THERE AMONG
THE BONES

IT CALLS



WE THOUGHT
WE WERE DEAD.

AND—IN A WAY—
WE WERE RIGHT.

WE?

THERE'S
ONLY ME

WHOSE THOUGHTS
ARE THESE?

WHO IS CRYING
OUT TO ME FROM
THE DARK?



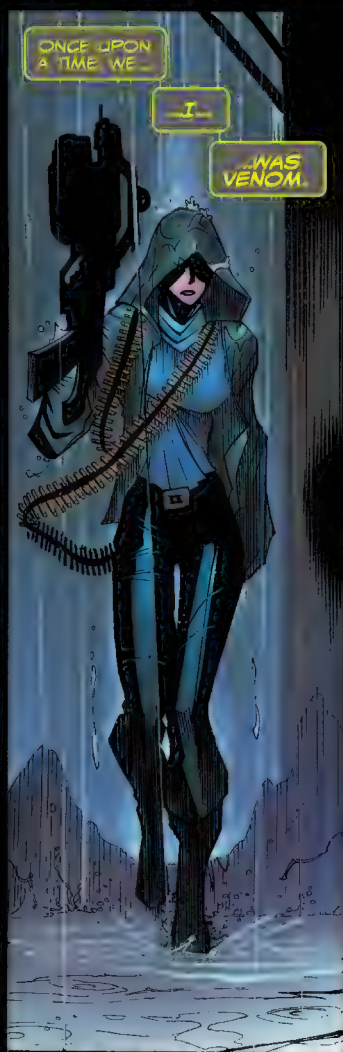
STREETS
ARE QUIET
NOW.

NOT TWO
MINUTES
AGO, I HEARD
SCREAMS.

SCREAMS...
AND THEN
NOTHING.



I'M ALL TOO
FAMILIAR.



ONCE UPON
A TIME, WE...

I...

...WAS
VENOM.



BONDED TO A CLONE OF
THE SYMBIOTE THAT I
CAME ACROSS IN THE WRONG
PLACE AT THE WRONG TIME.*

IT WAS TERRIFYING
AND FREIGHT TRAIN
LOUD AND FRANTIC



NOW I'M JUST
PATRICIA
ROBERTSON.

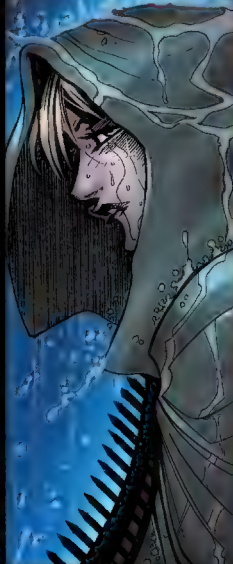
CARNAGE
IS BACK IN
NEW YORK

BUT THE CITY IS
DEATHLY QUIET

*IN VENOM #1, WAY BACK FROM
2003, TRUE BELIEVERS! -EDITOR

UNTIL IT'S NOT

REEAARGH!



I WAS ONLY
VENOM FOR A
SHORT TIME

BUT LONG
ENOUGH



LONG ENOUGH
TO DO SOME
DAMAGE

LONG ENOUGH
TO EARN
SOME DEBT



LONG ENOUGH
TO MISS IT



BEEN LYING
LOW FOR A
WHILE NOW

MAYBE
TOO LONG

BUT IT'S
TIME TO SET
THINGS RIGHT



EVEN IF IT
KILLS ME

MORE!

SOMETHING IS
GOING DOWN
IN THE CITY

SOMETHING
RELATED TO
SYMBIOTES

RRR

AND I'M
DONE HIDING

H555555K!

DONE WAITING
FOR THE NIGHTMARES
TO WORK THEMSELVES
OUT OF MY HEAD.

DONE PREPPING
AND PLANNING
AND TRAINING.

**BRANKA-
BOOM**

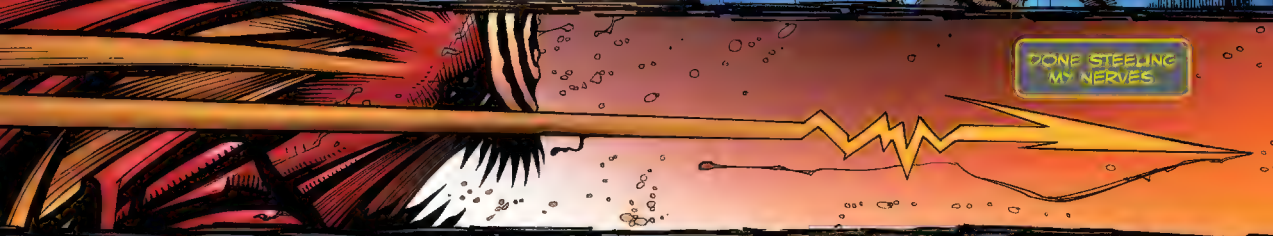




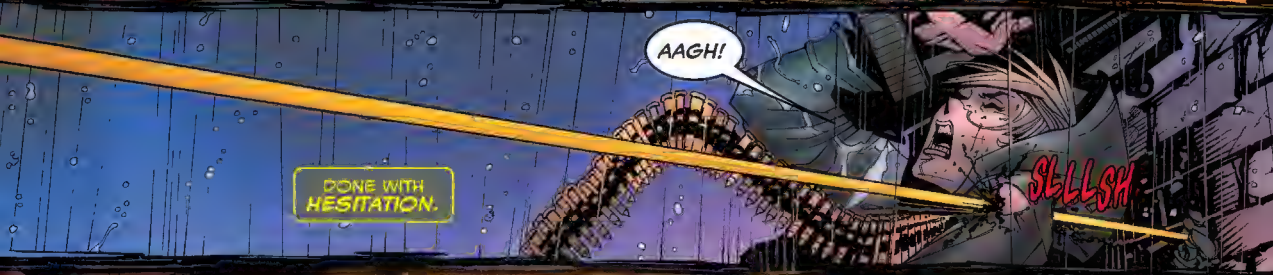


BRAKKA
BRAKKA
BRAKKA

DONE WITH
CUSTOMIZING GEAR
I'M NEVER
GONNA USE.



DONE STEELING
MY NERVES



DONE WITH
HESITATION.

AAGH!

SLLSH



DONE
WITH FEAR

BOOM

BOON



JUST
DONE



HAVEN'T
TESTED THE
ORDNANCE

DIDN'T HAVE
A SYMBIOTE AS A
TEST SUBJECT.

COULD'VE GONE
THROUGH DOZENS
OF LIVE-FIRE DRILLS,
THOUGH, AND STILL
NOT BEEN READY.

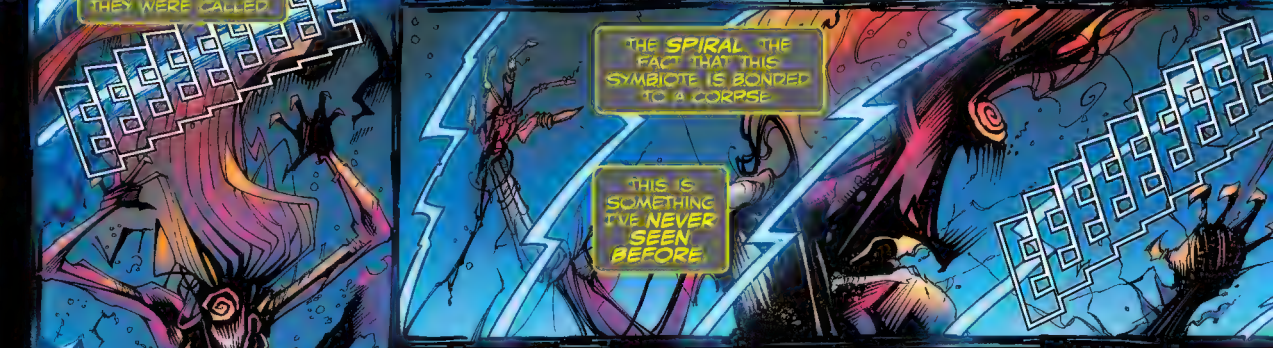
NO TIME
LIKE THE
PRESENT.

SONIC
ROUNDS

GOT THE
IDEA FROM
THE FOURTH
OF JULY

WHEN WE WERE KIDS, MY
BROTHER USED TO BUY
WHISTLING BOTTLE ROCKETS

SCREAMERS,
THEY WERE CALLED



THE SPIRAL THE
FACT THAT THIS
SYMBIOTE IS BONDED
TO A CORPSE

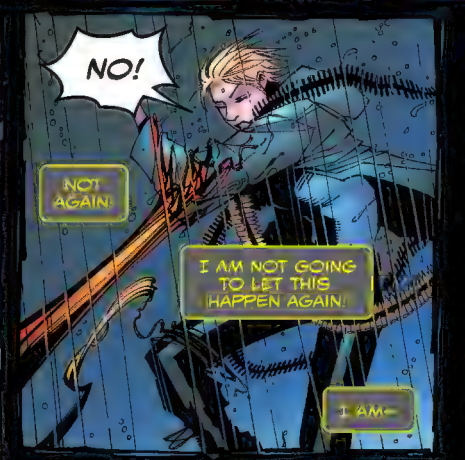
THIS IS
SOMETHING
I'VE NEVER
SEEN
BEFORE.



AS THE ROUND RIPS
THROUGH THE
SYMBIOTE, I REALIZE



WAIT
IS SHE



NO!

NOT
AGAIN!

I AM NOT GOING
TO LET THIS
HAPPEN AGAIN!

I AM

SCREAM

I HAD FORGOTTEN
HOW IT FEELS

THE SURGE
OF POWER

THE STRANGE SENSE
OF...TOGETHERNESS...
LIKE I DON'T HAVE TO
GO IT ALONE, AFTER ALL.

THOUGHTS
BUT NOT MY OWN

A VOICE IN
MY HEAD

A FRIEND,
A FRIEND?

HER
NAME--

MY NAME!

--HAD BEEN
DONNA DIEGO.

DON'T YOU TALK
ABOUT ME LIKE
I DON'T EXIST!

...SOMETHING
ISN'T RIGHT...

...TOO
MUCH...

...SO MANY
VOICES...

...COMING IN
ALL AT ONCE...

AND ONE...

SO MUCH
LOUDER THAN
THE REST.



IMPOSSIBLE
TO IGNORE.

OR
RESIST.

THIS IS
WHAT DONNA...

...WHAT I...

...WHAT
WE...

...WANTED.

PURPOSE.

AND NOW WE
HAVE FOUND IT.

I
SAID--

--OFF!

NOW, WE
HEAR ONLY
ONE VOICE.

THE VOICE
OF GOD.

SURELY ONLY GOD
COULD RAISE US
FROM THE GRAVE.

SURELY ONLY GOD
COULD TAKE SOMETHING
THAT WAS CAST SO
CARELESSLY ASIDE...

...AND GIVE US
UTILITY ONCE
MORE.

WE HEAR.

AND GOD
WANTS US--

NNNN--

GOD IS
COMING.

GOD IS
COMING.

AAGGHH!

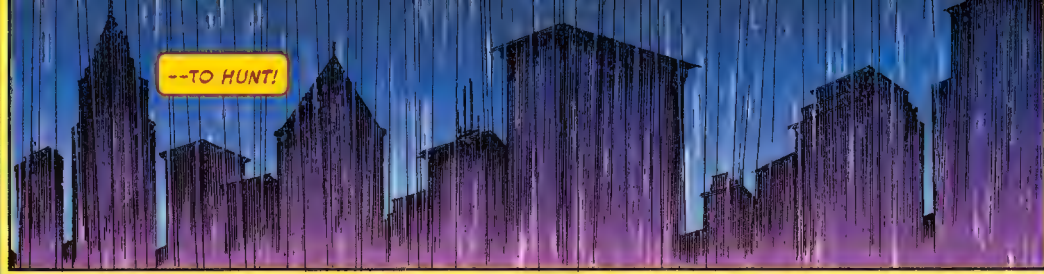
NOOOOO!

GET
AWAY!

GET
OFF!

GET OFF...
PLEASE.

SLLLLSH



--TO HUNT!



PREY SCURRIES
THROUGH THE
STREETS.

CHASED OUT
OF HIDING.



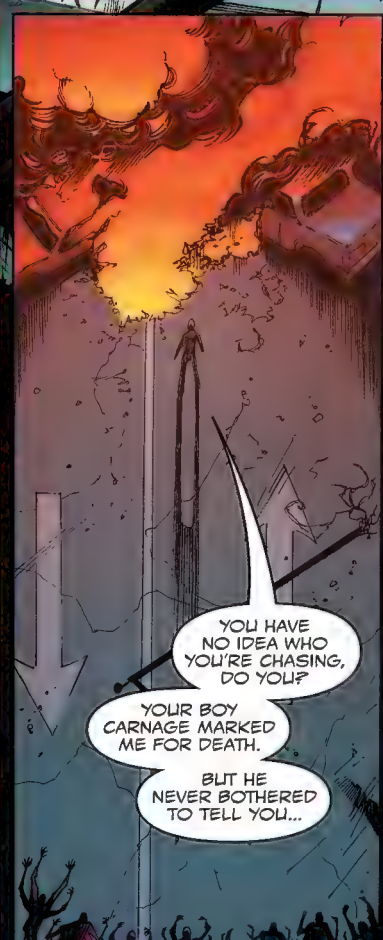
SHE'S
IMPORTANT.



THAT'S
WHY WE'RE
HERE.

TO MAKE SURE
SHE GIVES
GOD HIS DUE.

TO MAKE SURE
SHE DIES
LIKE A GOOD--



YOU HAVE
NO IDEA WHO
YOU'RE CHASING,
DO YOU?

YOUR BOY
CARNAGE MARKED
ME FOR DEATH.

BUT HE
NEVER BOTHERED
TO TELL YOU...



...THAT
I'M ALREADY
MARKED...

...BY
SOMETHING
A LOT WORSE
THAN DEATH...

...AND IF
YOU COME
FOR TROUBLE...

...SHE'LL DAMN
SURE DOG-WALK
YOU UP AND DOWN
THE STREETS OF
NEW YORK!



ANDI
BENTON.

THE HOST-
FLESH KNOWS
ABOUT HER.

THE HOST-
FLESH HAS
RESEARCHED
HER.



DON'T
SWEAT IT.



I'LL
MAKE IT
QUICK.

THE HOST-FLESH
KNOWS ANDI BENTON
WAS ONCE A
HOST HERSELF.

THE
HOST-FLESH
WOULD NEVER
ADMIT IT...

...BUT THE
HOST-FLESH
IS JEALOUS.



FWOOOOOSH



ANDI BENTON TOOK
SOMETHING FROM
THE HOST-FLESH...

...AND THEN
LOST IT.

SKREEEEEEEE



THE HOST-FLESH
WOULD NEVER
ADMIT SHE HATED
ANDI BENTON.



THAT REALIZATION
IS GOD'S GIFT.





ANDI
BENTON'S
LIFE...

...IS OURS
TO TAKE.



SCREAM 2

ANDI BENTON
MUST DIE.

AND SHE
IS--



MINE!

--TO
KILL.

SHE
IS--

MINE.

BRING
HER

BRING
YOUR OWN SELF
TO ME

AND I'LL
CLAIM YOU
BOTH.

DO
IT FOR
ME.

DO
IT--

"—NOW!"

THE HOST-FLESH
WANTED THE GIRL.

THE HOST-FLESH
WANTED REVENGE.

BUT THIS
IS NOT ABOUT
VENGEANCE.

THIS IS
ABOUT
A TITHE.

CARNAGE
DEMANDS AN
OFFERING.

AND WE WILL
GIVE HIM WHAT
HE WANTS.

AAGGHH!

SLASH
SLASH
SLASH

WE WILL ENJOY
OURSELVES WHILE
PERFORMING OUR
SACRED TASK.

BURNS!
IT...
HURTS!
WE
CAN'T!

YOU
WILL!
FOR
ME!

YOU
MUST!

YEE
AARGH!



I WANT
WHAT'S
MINE!

CARNAGE
IS USING
YOU!

HE WANTS
TO STRIP EVERY
TRACE OF SYMBIOTE
FROM MY FLESH!

ONCE YOU
BRING ME TO HIM,
WHAT DO YOU THINK
HE'LL DO TO
YOU?

NLUH!

SHOKT THOK









YOU HAVE
TO BELIEVE
ME.

I
SWEAR.

I
DIDN'T.



I DID.

WE
DID.

WE ARE
SCREAM.



LOOK...NO
OFFENSE,
SCREAM...

...I DON'T
MEAN TO BELITTLE
WHATEVER PERSONAL
CATHARSIS YOU'RE
GOING THROUGH...

...BUT ARE
YOU STILL
TRYING TO KILL
ME OR WHAT?



I'VE DONE MY
RESEARCH.
I'VE NEVER MET
HER, BUT I
KNOW HER JUST
THE SAME.

ANDI
BENTON.

SHE WAS
MANIA.

SHE WAS THE
HOST TO MY
SYMBIOTE AFTER
IT WAS TAKEN
FROM ME.



NO.



THAT
WASN'T
ME.

I WASN'T
IN CONTROL.

THAT
SYMBOL--
FORCED ME
TO ATTACK
YOU.



YEAH. THAT TRACKS.

WELL--



FWOOOSH



I DON'T KNOW IF THAT WILL DO ANY GOOD.

THE SPIRAL WASN'T JUST THERE ON THE WALL.

IT'S PART OF ME.



IT MIGHT APPEAR AGAIN.



THEN WE'D BEST HOPE YOU CAN FIGHT IT OFF AGAIN.

EITHER THAT OR I CAN ROAST YOU WHERE YOU STAND.

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

TO ME... TO THE CITY.

WHY IS THIS HAPPENING?

WHY?

THE ANSWER
MIGHT BE AS SIMPLE
AS CARNAGE IS OUT
OF CONTROL.

BUT IT'S
REALLY MORE
COMPLICATED
THAN THAT.

I DON'T FULLY
UNDERSTAND IT
MYSELF, BUT I'VE
PUT TOGETHER
BITS AND
PIECES.

CARNAGE SEES
HIMSELF AS SOME
SORT OF PROPHET OR
HOLY MAN...AND WHATEVER
GOD HE'S WORSHIPPING
DEMANDS **SACRIFICE**.

HE'S ATTACKING
ANYONE WHO WAS EVER
BONDED TO A SYMBIOTE--
HARVESTING LEFTOVER
ALIEN DNA FROM
THEIR CELLS.

THESE DAYS,
THERE ARE A LOT
OF PEOPLE WHO
HAVE BONDED WITH
SYMBIOTES.

HE
CAME FOR
ME.

AND HE WOULD
HAVE KILLED ME,
TOO, IF NOT FOR
THIS **HELL-MARK**
OF MINE.

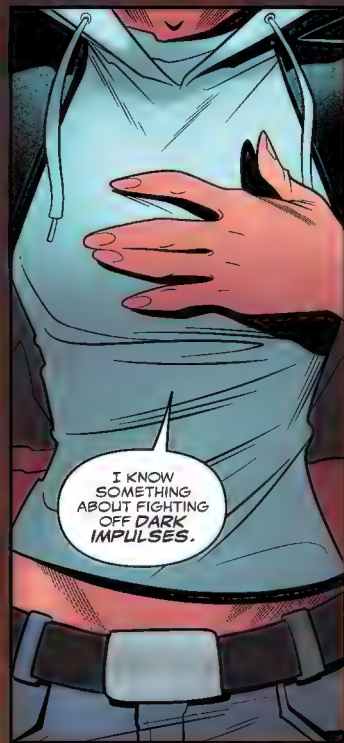
I GUESS
HE'S STILL
TRYING TO FINISH
THE JOB.

HE'S
UNLEASHED
AN ARMY OF
MONSTERS ON
THE CITY.

I CAME HERE
TO HELP...BUT
I MIGHT BE
TOO LATE.

CARNAGE
IS GROWING
STRONGER BY
THE SECOND.

AND I DON'T
KNOW IF ANYONE
CAN STOP HIM.





WHAT THE HELL DO YOU THINK YOU'RE DOING?

LET ME--

YOU'RE NOT GOING TO TELL US TO LET YOU GO, ARE YOU?

IF WE WERE YOU, WE'D THINK THAT ONE THROUGH.

WE'RE NOT GOING TO HURT YOU.



BUT WE MUST DECIDE WHAT TO DO WITH YOU.

I'LL TELL YOU WHAT YOU'RE NOT GOING TO DO AGAIN!

YOU'RE NOT GONNA GRAB ME AND DRAG ME OFF ON ANOTHER AERIAL JAUNT THROUGH THE CITY!

NOT COOL, LADY!



CARNAGE WANTS YOU.

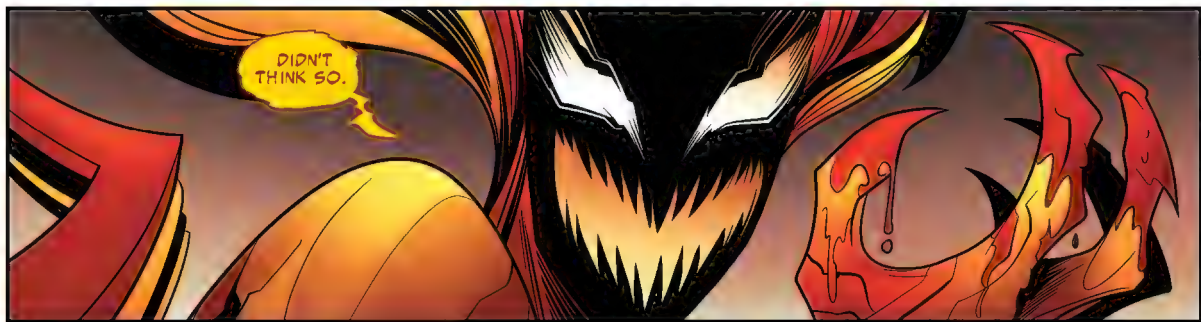
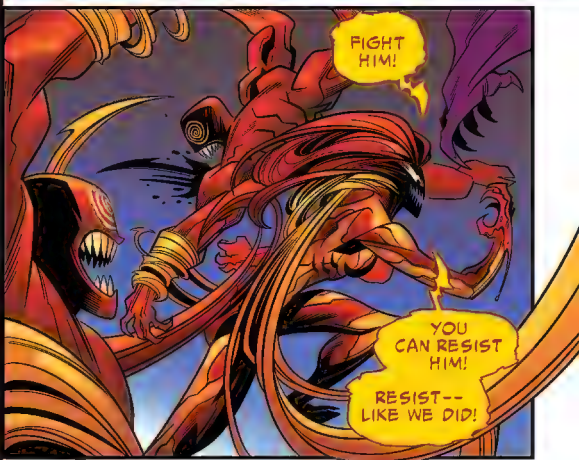
MAYBE WE SHOULD KEEP YOU AWAY FROM HIM.

DENYING CARNAGE THE THING HE WANTS... THAT HAS TO BE A GOOD THING, RIGHT?



OR--

YEAAAAAAGGH!



CARNAGE'S
MINIONS.

HIS
DOPPELGANGERS.

THEY AREN'T
MINDLESS.

THERE ARE
HOSTS WITHIN
THE SYMBIOTES.

BUT THEY ARE
CRUEL AND
VICIOUS AND VILE.

THEY SURRENDER
THEMSELVES WILLINGLY
TO THE URGES OF
THEIR MASTER.

THEY ARE
COMPLICIT.

SHHHH

SHUNK

SHUNK

SHUNK

WE ARE
NOT LIKE
THEM.

WE ARE MORE
THAN HOST-FLESH
AND SYMBIOTE.



WE TOLD YOU TO STAY PUT.

YEAH, WELL, I HAVE A LONG HISTORY OF BEING TOLD TO STAY PUT.

AND AN EQUALLY LONG HISTORY OF NOT DOING WHAT I'M TOLD.



LIKE IT OR NOT, THIS IS MY FIGHT TOO.

WE SHOULD HIDE YOU.

WE SHOULD KEEP YOU FAR AWAY FROM CARNAGE.



HE CAN'T HURT YOU IF HE CAN'T FIND YOU.

IF WE HAD JUST GONE INTO HIDING--



--THEY'D BE DEAD.

M-MORE MONSTERS!

STAY AWAY!



TH-THEY'RE GOING TO KILL US!



HEY! NO!
HEY!
IT'S ALL
RIGHT!

I'M JUST
A GIRL WITH A
FEW DEMONIC
GIFTS!

ONLY ONE
OF US IS A
MONSTER...AND
SHE'S ON OUR
SIDE!



NNNRGG!



ARE...

ARE YOU ALL
RIGHT?

SCREAM?



RUN!



FIGHT
HIM!

YOU CAN
HOLD HIM
OFF!

YOU'VE
DONE IT
BEFORE!

JUST--
FIGHT!

YOU D-DON'T
UNDERSTAND!

HIS
INFLUENCE
IS SO MUCH
STRONGER!

HE'S
CLOSE!

HE'S--





SO
SORRY!

DID I
INTERRUPT
SOMETHING?

WERE
YOU LADIES
GOSSIPING?

THIS IS
ABOUT A
TITHE.

CARNAGE
DEMANDS AN
OFFERING.

AND WE WILL
GIVE HIM WHAT
HE WANTS.

UNLESS WE
STOP HIM.

ANDI BENTON...
MUST SURVIVE.



SCREAM 3



BOO.

I KNOW,
I KNOW.

YOU LADIES
MUST'VE THOUGHT
I WAS TOO BUSY
TO COME A-CALLIN'
MYSELF.

BUT I MAKE
TIME FOR WHAT'S
IMPORTANT.

AND
MURDERIN'
YOU, GIRLIE...

...THAT'S WAY
UP THERE ON MY
BUCKET LIST!



SCREAM--



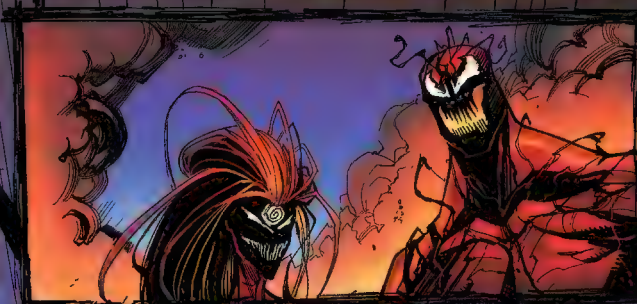
HIS!



WE
BELONG
TO HIM!

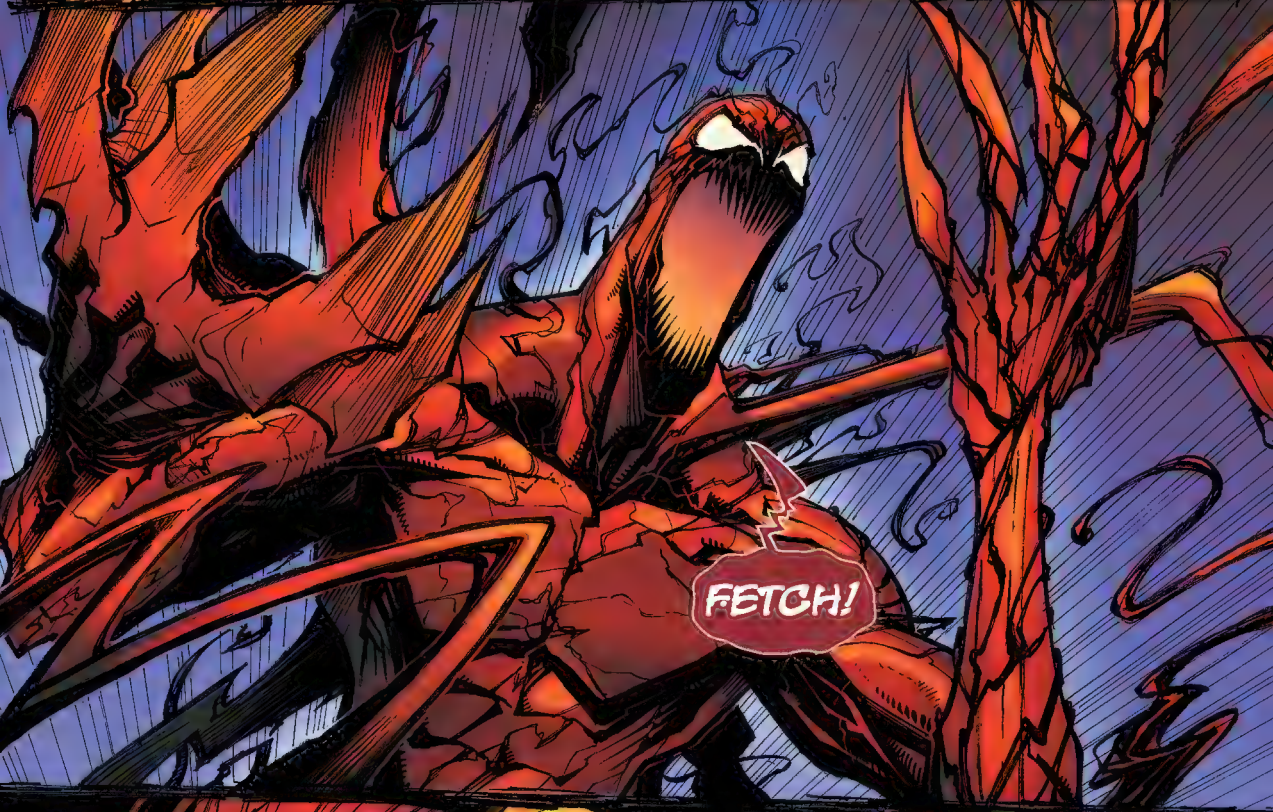


NO!



WELL?

WHAT ARE YOU WAITING FOR?



FETCH!



HSSSSSSSSS!

BRING ANDI BENTON BACK TO ME.

BRING HER BACK...



...SO WE CAN FEED THE BEAST.

HNF.

HE'S TOO STRONG!

HNF.

CAN'T FIGHT HIM!

HE'S SLAUGHTERING EVERYONE!

GOING AFTER THE WHOLE CITY!

N-NO ONE'S SAFE!

BARELY... GOT AWAY LAST TIME.

HE'LL KILL ME.

UNLESS--

--I HIDE.

SKREECH

WHAT DO I DO, COACH?





SHE THINKS
SHE CAN RUN.

SHE THINKS
SHE CAN HIDE.

BUT SHE
WILL NOT
ESCAPE.

THE TITHE
WILL NOT BE
DENIED.

IT IS THE COST
SHE ACCEPTED
WHEN SHE FIRST
BONDED WITH
A SYMBIOTE.

SHE
IS JUST
MEAT.

WE ARE
ALL JUST--

SCREAM,
PLEASE.

I KNOW
WHAT CARNAGE
DID TO YOU.
TO DONNA.

BROUGHT
YOU BACK FROM
THE DEAD...

DONNA...

BUT YOU
HAVE TO
FIGHT HIM.

BECAUSE ONCE
CARNAGE KILLS
ANDI BENTON,
HE'LL COME
FOR US NEXT.

VOICES!

SO
MANY!

YOU CAN BE
DECENT!

NOT A
MONSTER!

DON'T
LISTEN
TO HIM!

LISTEN TO ME.
I AM PATRICIA
ROBERTSON.
AND WE ARE
SCREAM.

REMEMBER
WHO YOU ARE!

REMEMBER
WHO WE ARE!

DON'T DIE WITH
NIGHTMARES STILL
IN YOUR HEAD!

SCREAMING
IN OUR HEAD!

VOICES
TELLING US
WHAT TO DO.

TELLING
US WHO
TO BE.

YEE
EA
A

A
A
R
G
H!

SO MANY
VOICES--
AND ALL OF
THEM OURS!

YEE
AA
ARGH!

SHE'S
HERE.

SHE'S
FOUND
ME.

NEED
A WAY
OUT.

BEFORE
SHE--

WHO'RE
YOU TALKING
TO GIRLIE?

STILL FEEL
LIKE YOU'VE GOT
A PARTNER?

FEELIN'
ALL ALONE
WITHOUT YOUR
OTHER?

SOON, YOU'LL
BE PART OF
SOMETHIN' SO
MUCH
BIGGER.

YOU'LL
BE PART
OF ME.

THAT'S WHY
I CAME FOR YOU
MYSELF--TO GRANT
YOU MERCY.

BESIDES--
NEVER SEND
A WOMAN TO
DO A MAN'S
WORK.

G-GREAT.

NOT ONLY
ARE YOU A
REDNECK SERIAL
KILLER...

...Y-YOU'RE
A SEXIST
REDNECK SERIAL
KILLER.

HEH--



REEEAAAARGH!



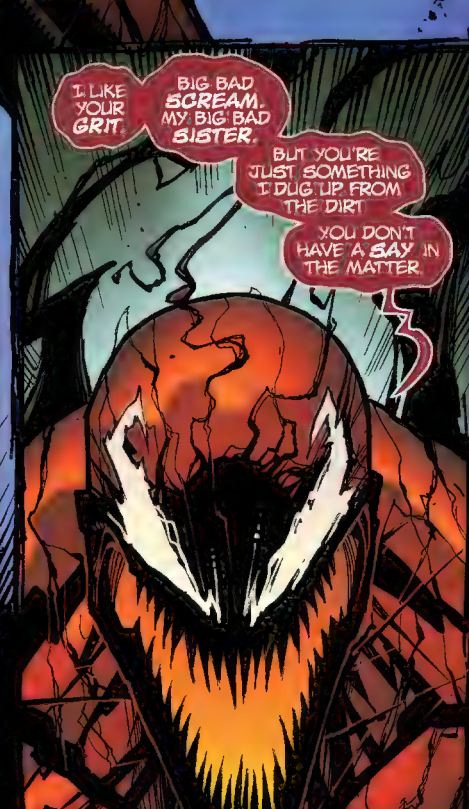
HHNNF!



GET
AWAY FROM
HER!

YOU
CAN'T HAVE
HER!

I
WON'T LET
YOU!



I LIKE
YOUR
GRIT.

BIG BAD
SCREAM.
MY BIG BAD
SISTER.

BUT YOU'RE
JUST SOMETHING
I DUG UP FROM
THE DIRT

YOU DON'T
HAVE A SAY IN
THE MATTER.





YOU'LL GET YOUR TURN.

YOU JUST NEED TO BE PATIENT.

DON'T WORRY!

LET HER GO!

DON'T WORRY!

DON'T WORRY!

DON'T WORRY!

I'LL MAKE IT WORTH YOUR WHILE.

NO!

JUST COOL YOUR JETS HERE FOR A BIT.

HGGGK!

SGGHNK



I'LL
KILL
YOU!

BETTER'N
YOU HAVE
TRIED
BUT I DON'T DIE
EASY

NOT
LIKE YOUR
FRIEND

AND
NOT LIKE
YOU

NOT
LIKE



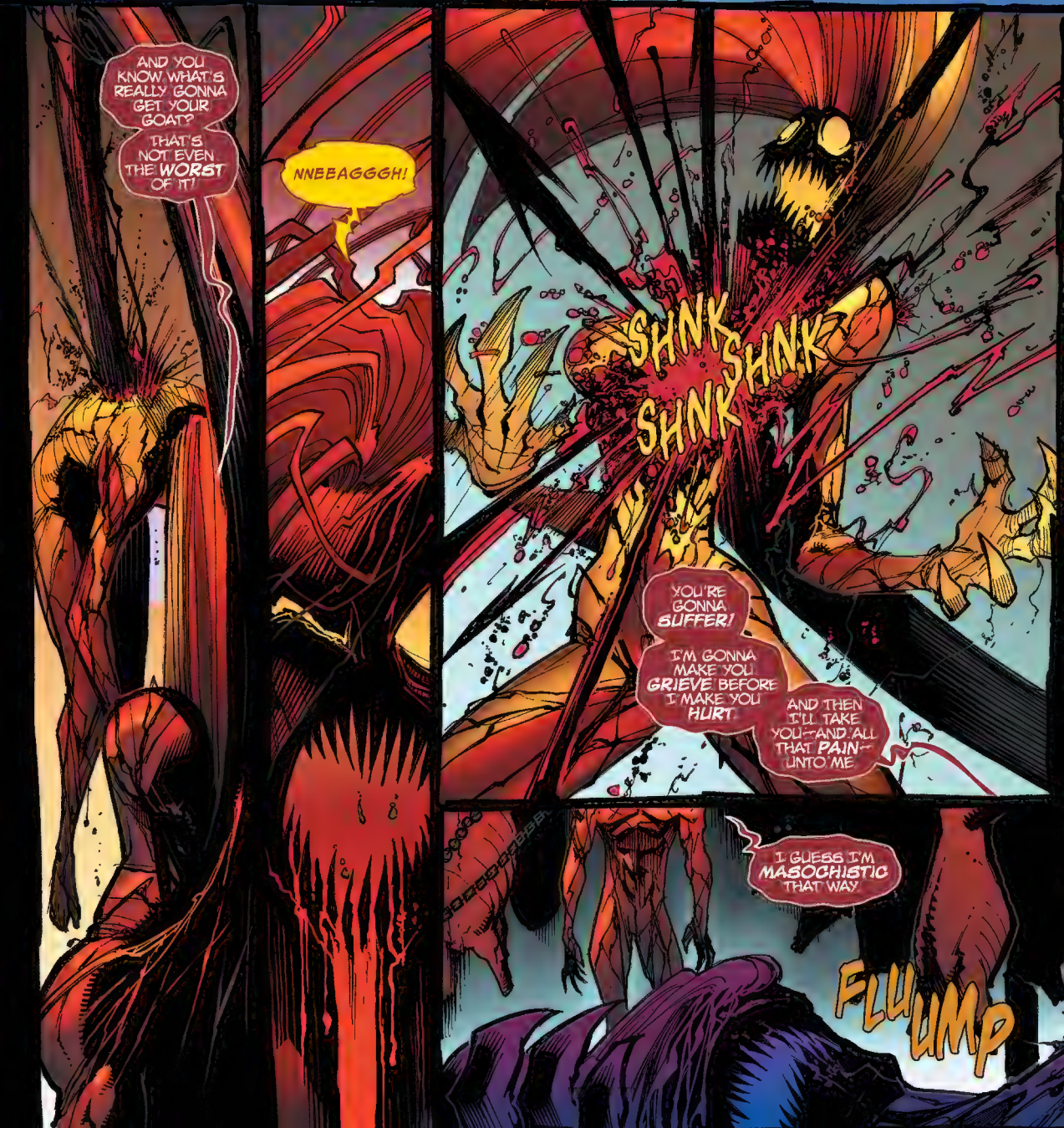
YOU!

HOOOOOOO!

HURTS.
DON'T IT?

REGGGH--

SHHHH-THUNNNNGK



AND YOU
KNOW WHAT'S
REALLY GONNA
GET YOUR
GOATS?

THAT'S
NOT EVEN
THE WORST
OF IT!

NNBBAGGGH!

SHINK
SHINK
SHINK

YOU'RE
GONNA
SUFFER!

I'M GONNA
MAKE YOU
GRIEVE BEFORE
I MAKE YOU
HURT.

AND THEN
I'LL TAKE
YOU--AND ALL
THAT PAIN--
UNTO ME

I GUESS I'M
MASOCHISTIC
THAT WAY

FLUUMP

THE VOICES.

ALMOST ALL
OF THEM.

GONE
NOW.

ONLY ONE
REMAINS.

MY
VOICE.

OUR
VOICE.

IT SPEAKS
CLEARLY.

WE ARE
DEAD.

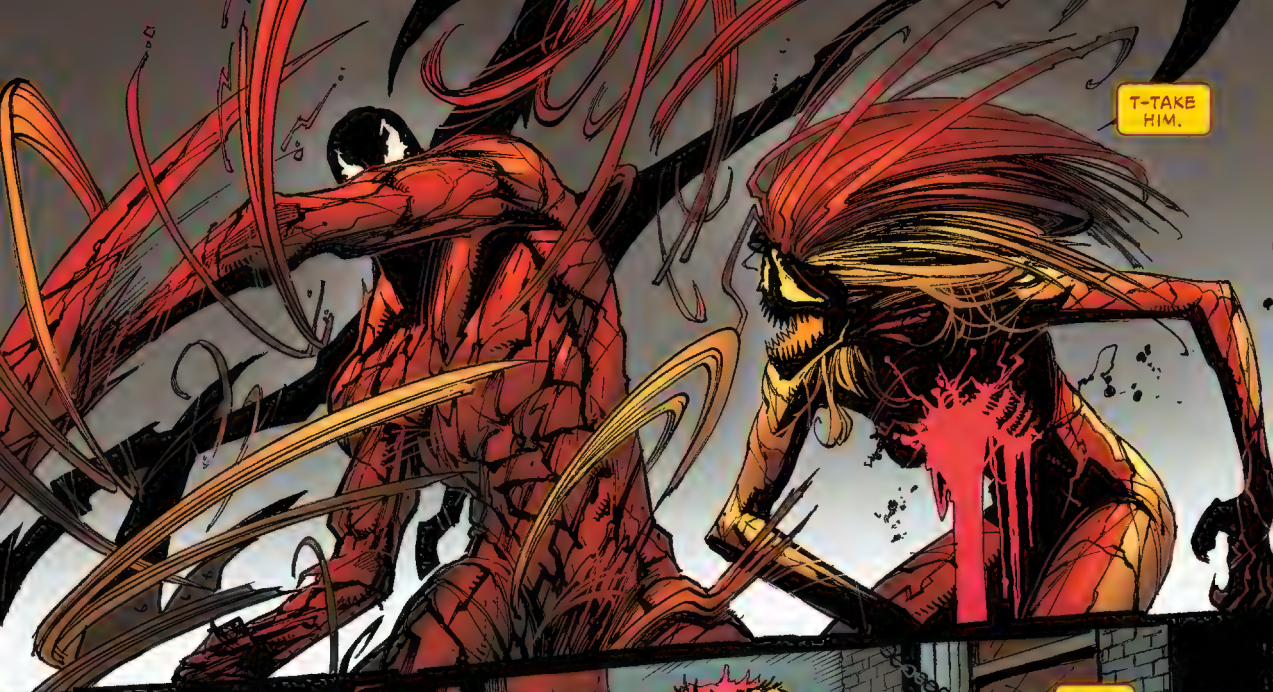
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DEAD.

WE ARE
DEAD.

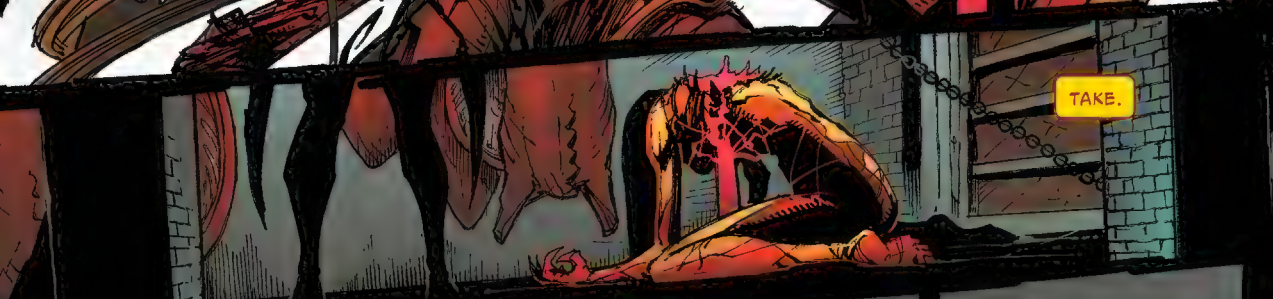
DEAD.

NNN~

TAKE
CARNAGE
WITH US!



T-TAKE
HIM.



TAKE.



HIM.

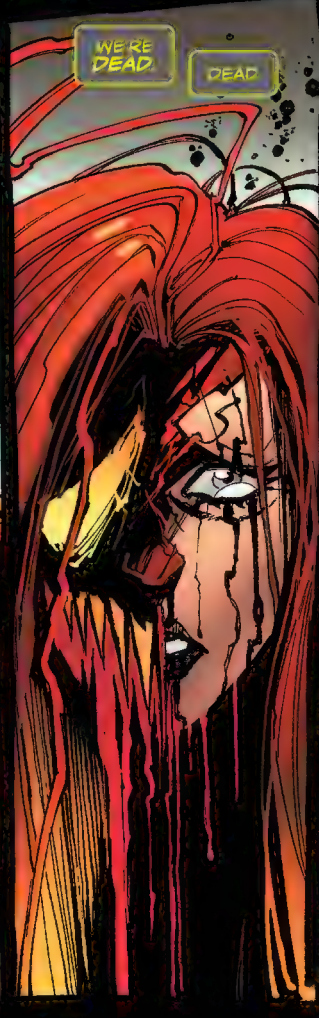


DONNA.

PATRICIA.

SCREAM.

WE

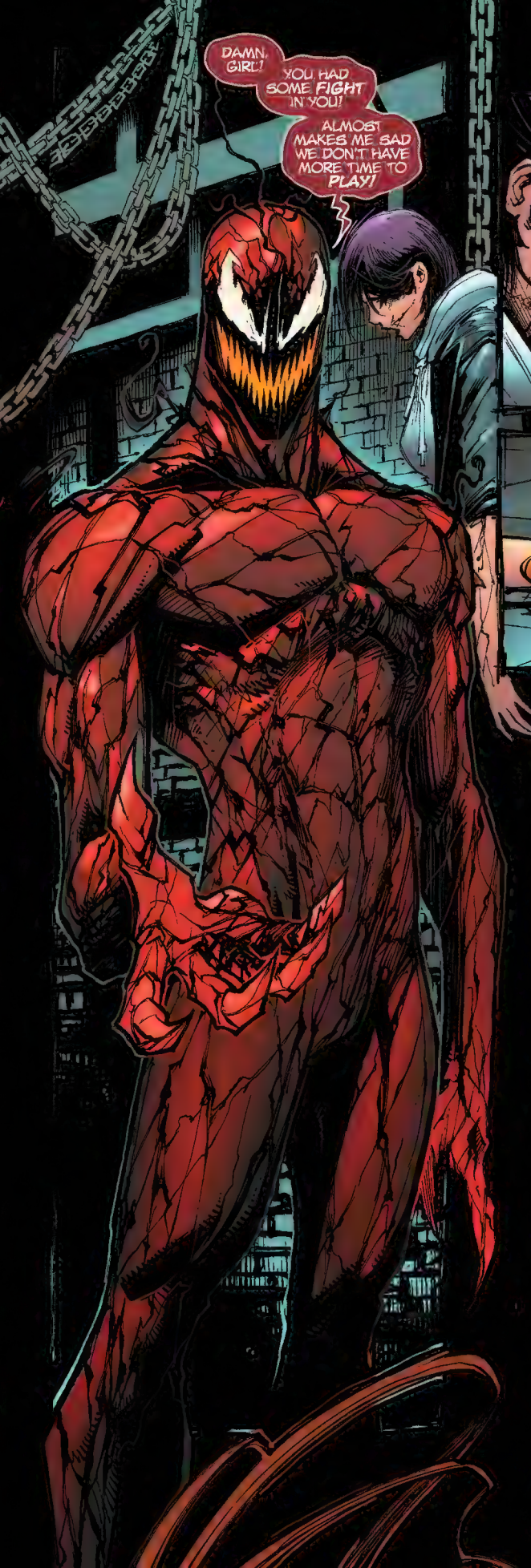


WE'RE
DEAD.

DEAD



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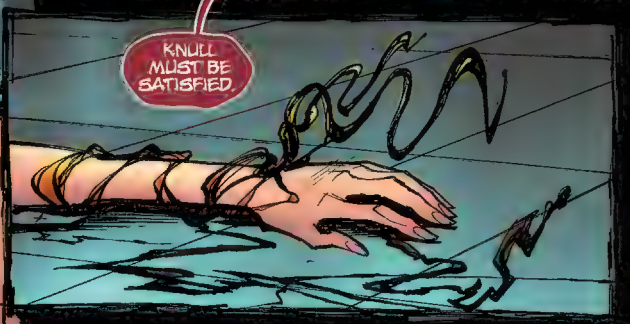


DAMN, GIRL!
YOU HAD SOME FIGHT IN YOU!

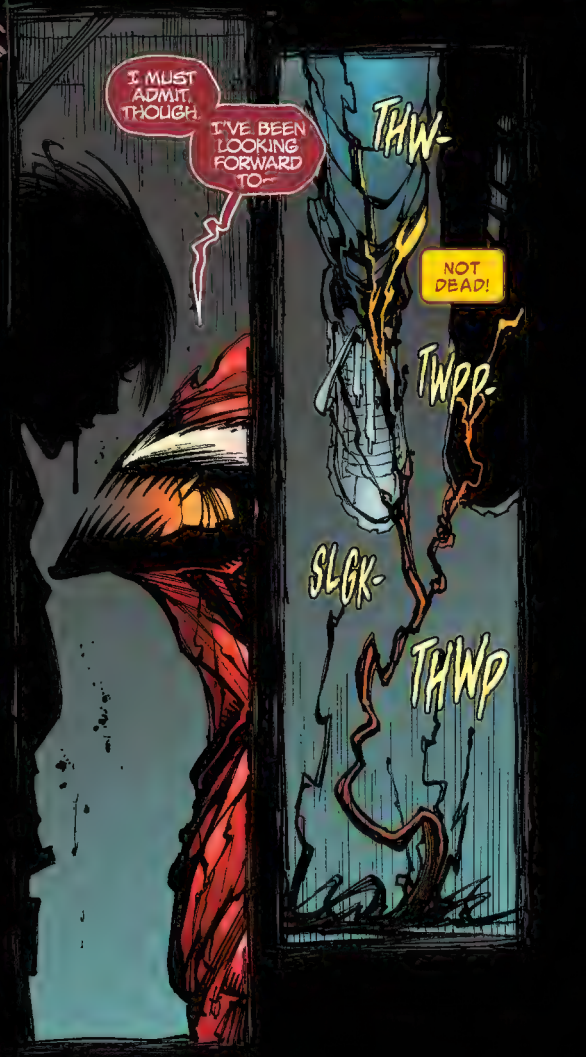
ALMOST MAKES ME SAD WE DON'T HAVE MORE TIME TO PLAY!



BUT I'VE GOT CODEXES TO COLLECT



KNELL MUST BE SATISFIED



I MUST ADMIT, THOUGH I'VE BEEN LOOKING FORWARD TO--

NOT DEAD!

THW-

TWRR-

SLCK-

THWP

NOT YET!

THE SYMBIOTE
KNITS MY WOUNDS
TOGETHER.

HEALING
ME.

TWO BEINGS, UNITED
AS **ONE**, AND I-**WE**--
FEEL EVERYTHING.

POWER SURGING
THROUGH MY
MUSCLES.

AND I HEAR EVERYTHING,
TOO. NOT JUST SCREAM, BUT
DOZENS, HUNDREDS, OF
VOICES. CARNAGE'S LEGION.

AND BELOW
IT ALL, I FEEL
HIM. **CARNAGE**

BECKONING
ME.

BUT I DON'T
LIKE DOING
WHAT I'M TOLD

FAMILIAR.

BUT
DIFFERENT.



FWOOOOOSH!!

BUT I'LL
TEACH YOU
SOMETHIN' ELSE
IF YOU LIKE!

THOSE
VOICES YOU'RE
HEARIN'?

I HEAR
THEM TOO!

THOUGHT
YOU MIGHT HAVE
LEARNED YOUR
LESSON, GIRLIE!*

THOSE
FLAMES OF
YOURS CAN'T
HURT ME

I'M SO
FAR BEYOND
FIRE NOW!

NGYAA--

SLLELLSHH

I KNOW, I
KNOW. THIS IS
A CONFUSIN'
TIME

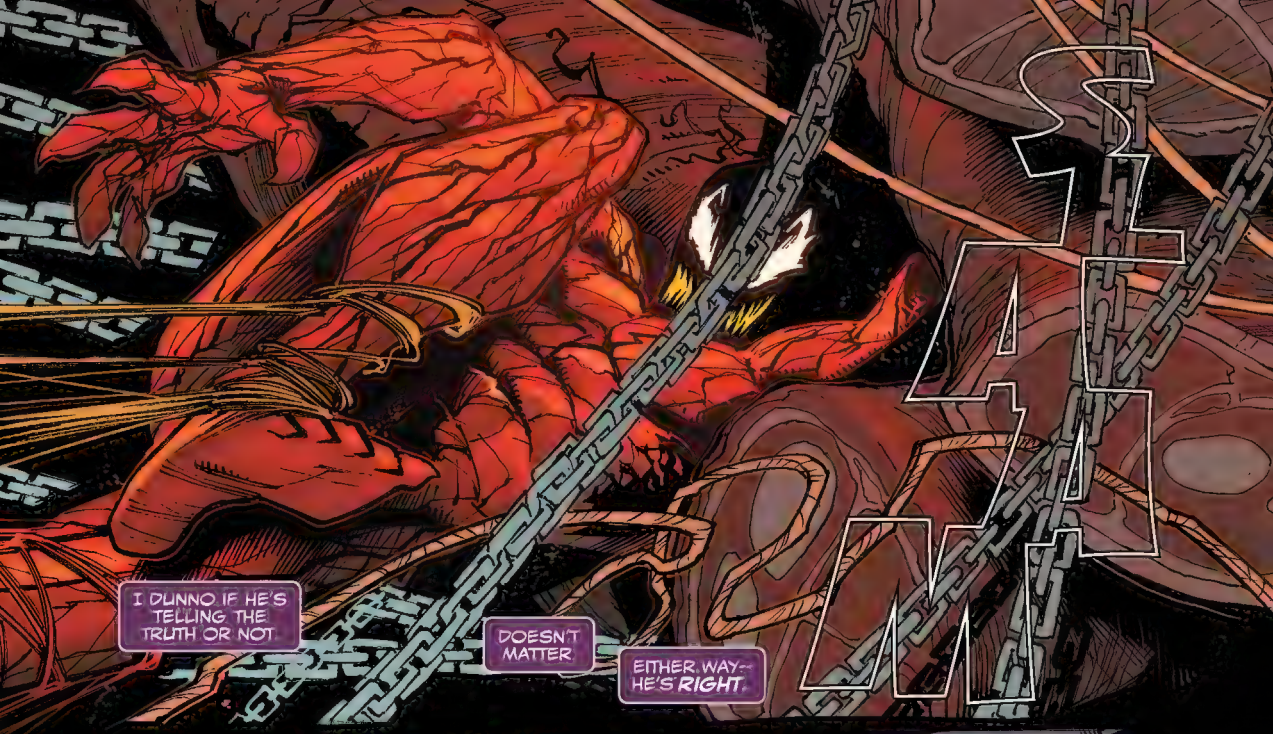
ALL THOSE
VOICES, AND
YOU'RE NOT SURE
WHERE THEY'RE
COMING FROM.

BUT THE
ONES THAT ARE
TELLING YOU TO
RUN--THOSE ARE
ALL YOURS.

AND THE
VOICE TELLING
YOU TO STAY--

THAT'S
ME!

*AFTER THEY MET
BACK IN JULY'S
WEB OF VENOM:
FUNERAL PYRE,
TRUE BELIEVERS!
-EDITOR

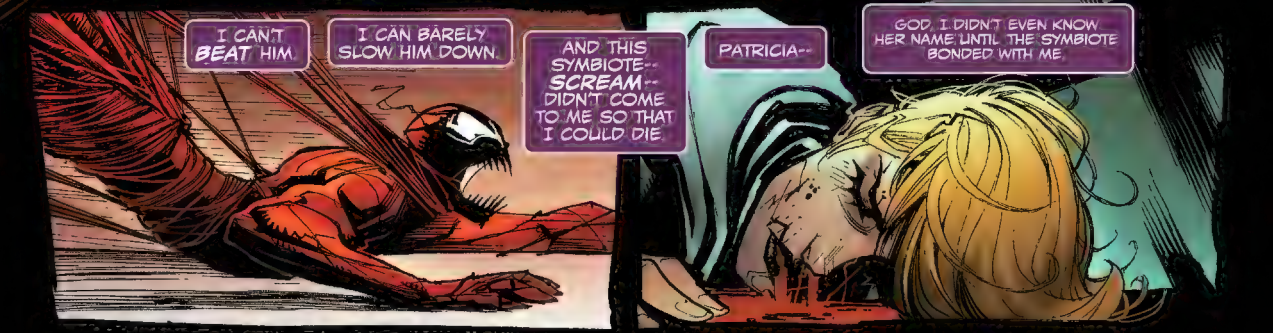


I DUNNO IF HE'S
TELLING THE
TRUTH OR NOT

DOESNT
MATTER

EITHER WAY--
HE'S RIGHT.

SHANK



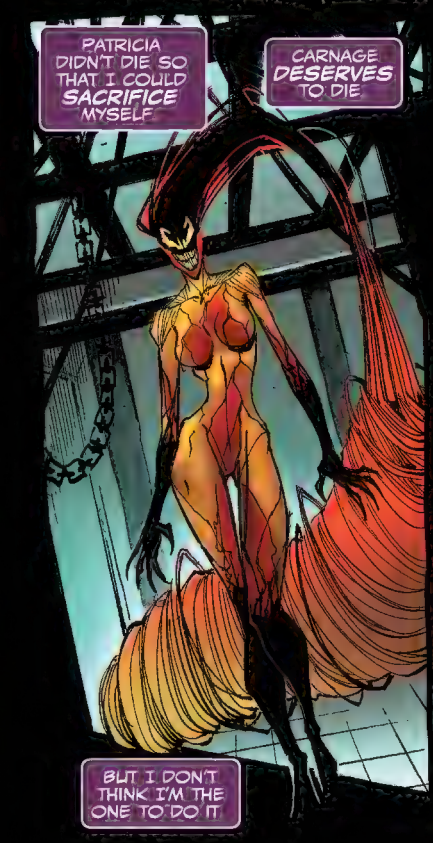
I CAN'T
BEAT HIM.

I CAN BARELY
SLOW HIM DOWN.

AND THIS
SYMBIOTE--
SCREAM--
DIDN'T COME
TO ME SO THAT
I COULD DIE

PATRICIA--

GOD, I DIDN'T EVEN KNOW
HER NAME UNTIL THE SYMBIOTE
BONDED WITH ME.

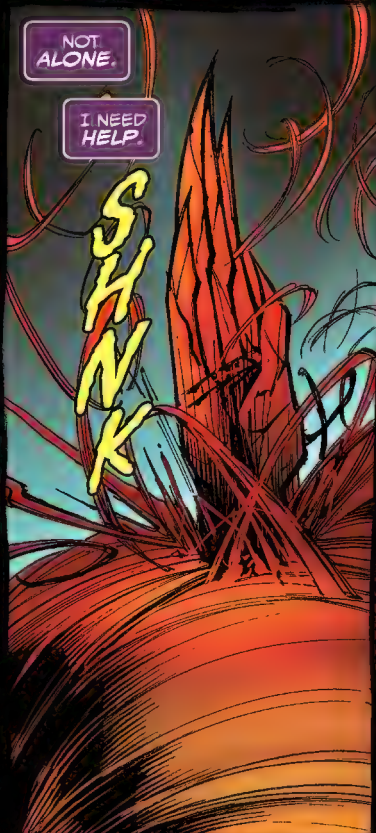


PATRICIA
DIDN'T DIE SO
THAT I COULD
SACRIFICE
MYSELF

CARNAGE
DESERVES
TO DIE.

NOT
ALONE.

I NEED
HELP.



SHANK

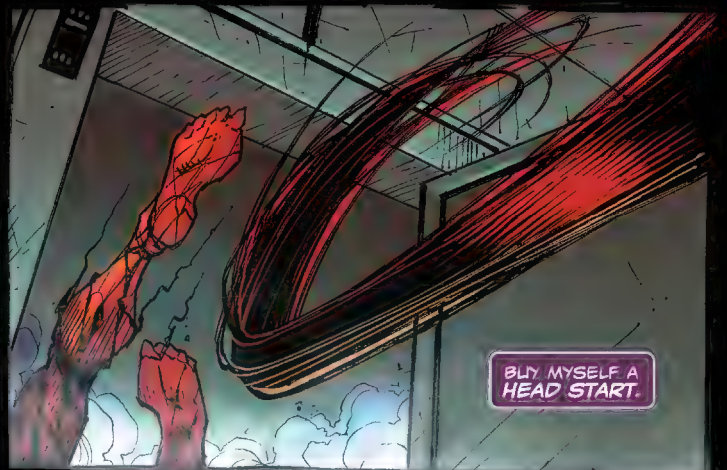
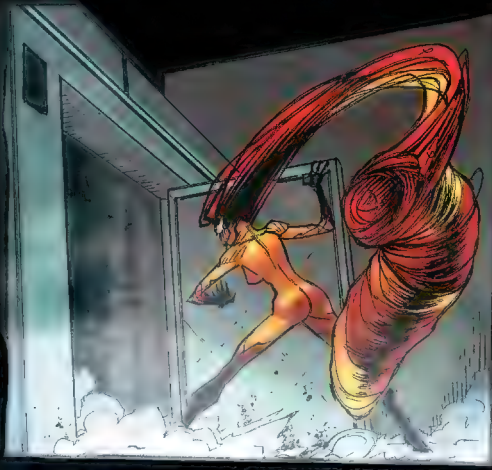


OH,
AAAAAAND!!

STOP PLAYIN
THESE GAMES
AND TAKE YOUR
MEDICINE!

BUT I DON'T
THINK I'M THE
ONE TO DO IT.

AND I NEED TO
BUY MYSELF
SOME TIME



NOT UNTIL
I

UNTIL
WE

FIND OTHERS
WHO CAN HELP

BECAUSE IF
THERE'S ONE
THING WE'VE
LEARNED

WHEN THE
NIGHTMARES TAKE
SHAPE AND COME
AFTER YOU

IT'S JUST
TOO MUCH
OF A RISK

TO GO IT
ALONE





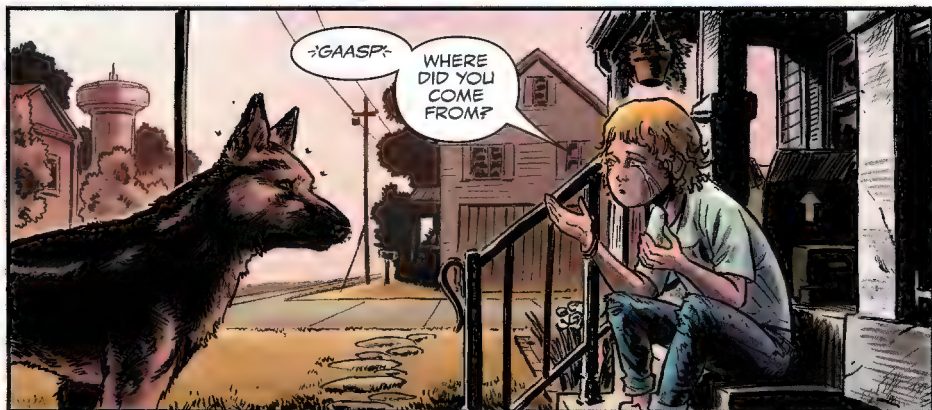
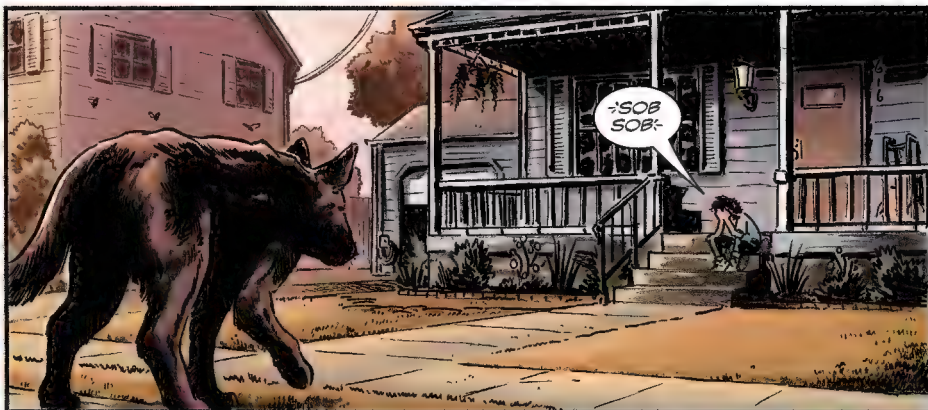
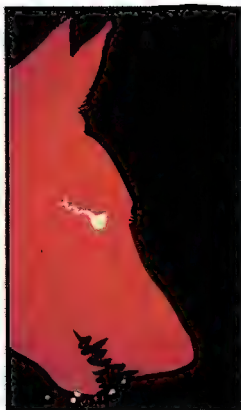
DAVE JOHNSON
SEPARATION ANXIETY Codex Variant



SEPARATION ANXIETY

CARRINGTON COTTAGE, COLORADO.





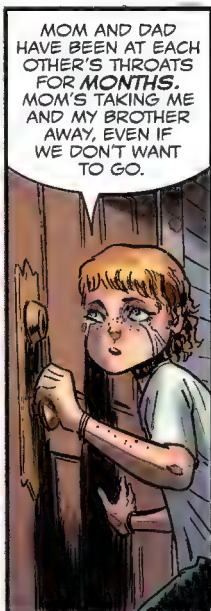


I
GOTTA
GO...
SORRY.



I WISH I
COULD INVITE YOU
IN, BUT...WELL, IT'S
NOT REALLY
MY HOME.

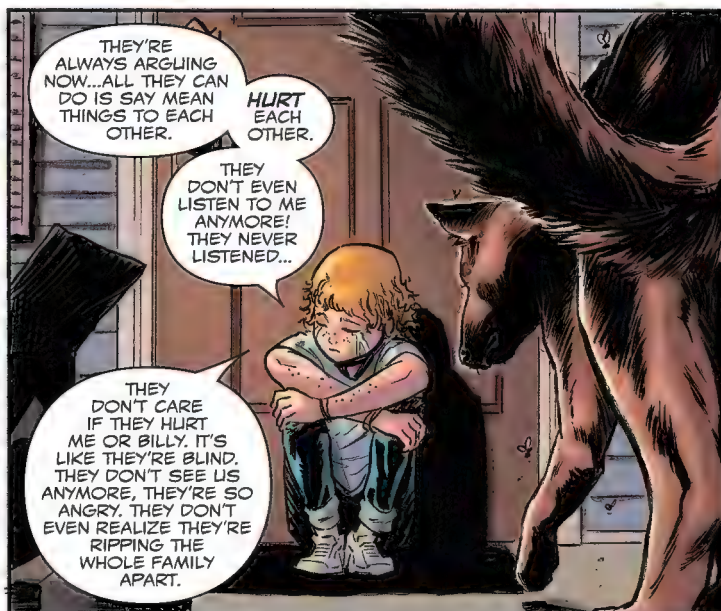
NOT
ANYMORE.



MOM AND DAD
HAVE BEEN AT EACH
OTHER'S THROATS
FOR MONTHS.
MOM'S TAKING ME
AND MY BROTHER
AWAY, EVEN IF
WE DON'T WANT
TO GO.



HOW MANY TIMES
DO I HAVE TO SAY
IT. YOU JUST DON'T
LISTEN. IT'S LIKE
YOU'RE IN--



THEY'RE
ALWAYS ARGUING
NOW...ALL THEY CAN
DO IS SAY MEAN
THINGS TO EACH
OTHER.

HURT
EACH OTHER.

THEY
DON'T EVEN
LISTEN TO ME
ANYMORE! THEY
NEVER LISTENED...

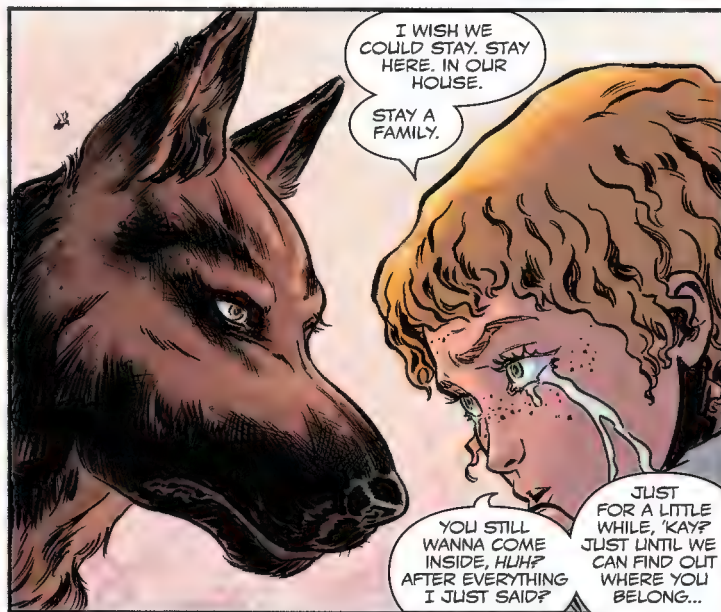
THEY
DON'T CARE
IF THEY HURT
ME OR BILLY. IT'S
LIKE THEY'RE BLIND.
THEY DON'T SEE US
ANYMORE, THEY'RE SO
ANGRY. THEY DON'T
EVEN REALIZE THEY'RE
RIPPING THE WHOLE FAMILY
APART.



I'VE BEEN PUTTING
FOOD ON OUR
TABLE WHILE
YOU'VE BEEN--



DON'T YOU SEE
THAT THEY NEED
YOU--



I WISH WE
COULD STAY. STAY
HERE. IN OUR
HOUSE.

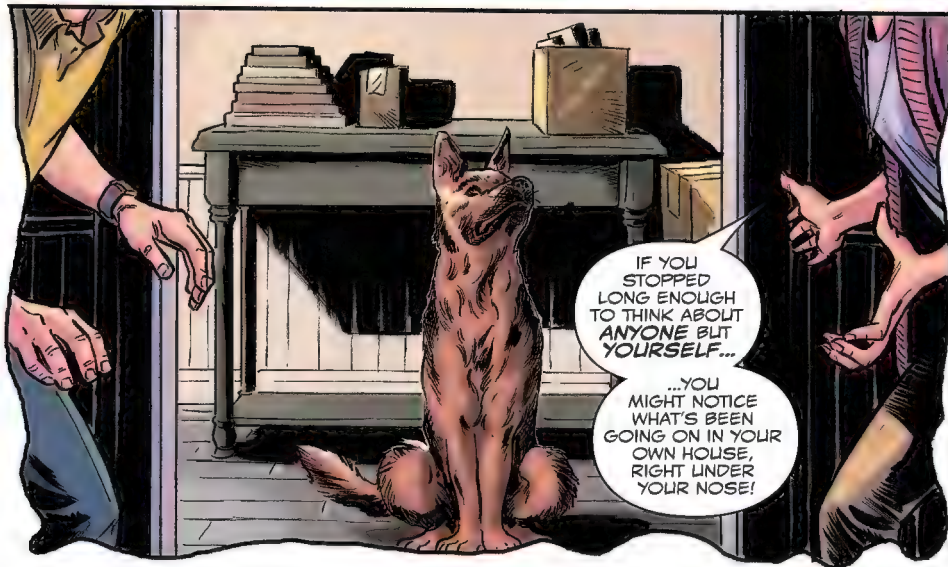
STAY A
FAMILY.

YOU STILL
WANNA COME
INSIDE, HUH?
AFTER EVERYTHING
I JUST SAID?

JUST
FOR A LITTLE
WHILE, 'KAY?
JUST UNTIL WE
CAN FIND OUT
WHERE YOU
BELONG...



I'M RIGHT
HERE--



SEPARATION ANXIETY

For years, the **Life Foundation symbiotes**, as they came to be called, existed separately — but when one of the organisms turned traitor and began killing their hosts, the remaining four symbiotes had no choice but to merge and form a new entity...called **Hybrid!**

As Hybrid, the symbiotes were most recently seen bonded to a stray dog after an adventure involving Deadpool.

The whereabouts of the dog — and the four extraterrestrial creatures bonded to it — remain unknown...

AS IF
YOU'RE COMING
UP FOR PARENT
OF THE YEAR...

GO AHEAD.
MAKE ME THE
BAD GUY.

IF THE SHOE
FITS...AND I'D SAY
IT FITS YOU JUST
FINE. FITS YOU
PERFECTLY.

YOU CAN PIN
THE BLAME ON ME ALL
YOU WANT...BUT LET'S
BE HONEST WITH
OURSELVES.

YOU
CLOCKED
OUT OF THIS
MARRIAGE
YEARS AGO.
LONG
BEFORE
I DID.

I NEVER
GAVE UP ON
OUR FAMILY.
NEVER. NOT
LIKE YOU!

PLEASE.
I WOULD DO
ANYTHING TO KEEP
OUR FAMILY
TOGETHER.

ANYTHING.

GRRRRRRR!

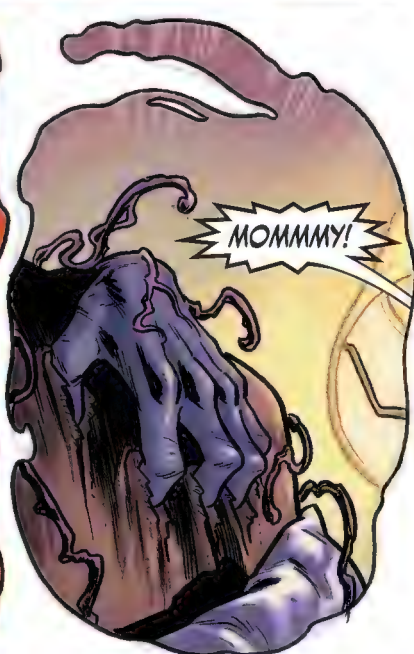






...FRIEND.

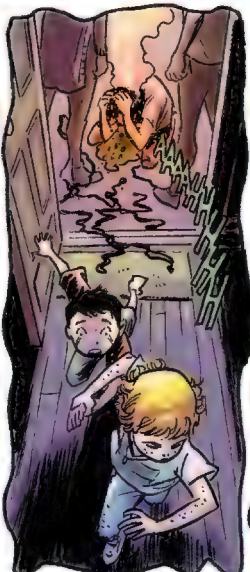


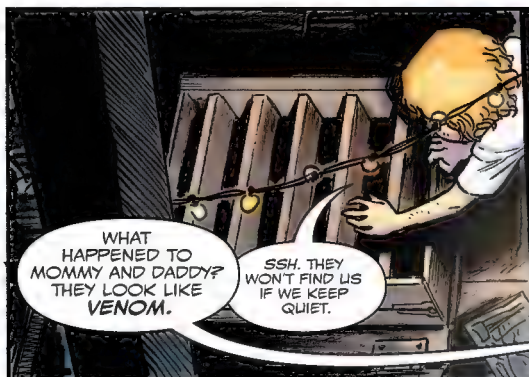




FAMILY







WHAT
HAPPENED TO
MOMMY AND DADDY?
THEY LOOK LIKE
VENOM.

SSH. THEY
WON'T FIND US
IF WE KEEP
QUIET.



SPIDER-MAN
USES FIRE AND
SOUND TO STOP
HIM. THOSE ARE HIS
WEAKNESSES.



WE
GOTTA FIND A
WAY OUTTA
HERE.



OUTTA THE
HOUSE.

SNF SNFF
SSSNFF



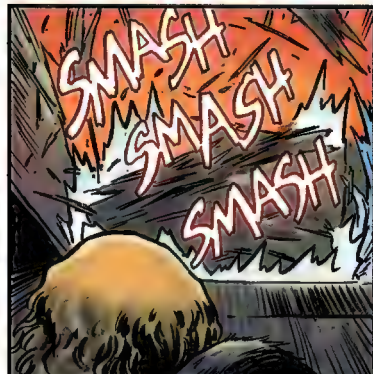
WHEN THE COAST IS
CLEAR, I'M GONNA GO
DOWNSTAIRS...

DON'T
LEAVE
ME!

THERE'S A
PHONE
IN MOM
AND DAD'S
ROOM. I'LL
ONLY BE
GONE FOR
A--



SMASH



SMASH
SMASH
SMASH

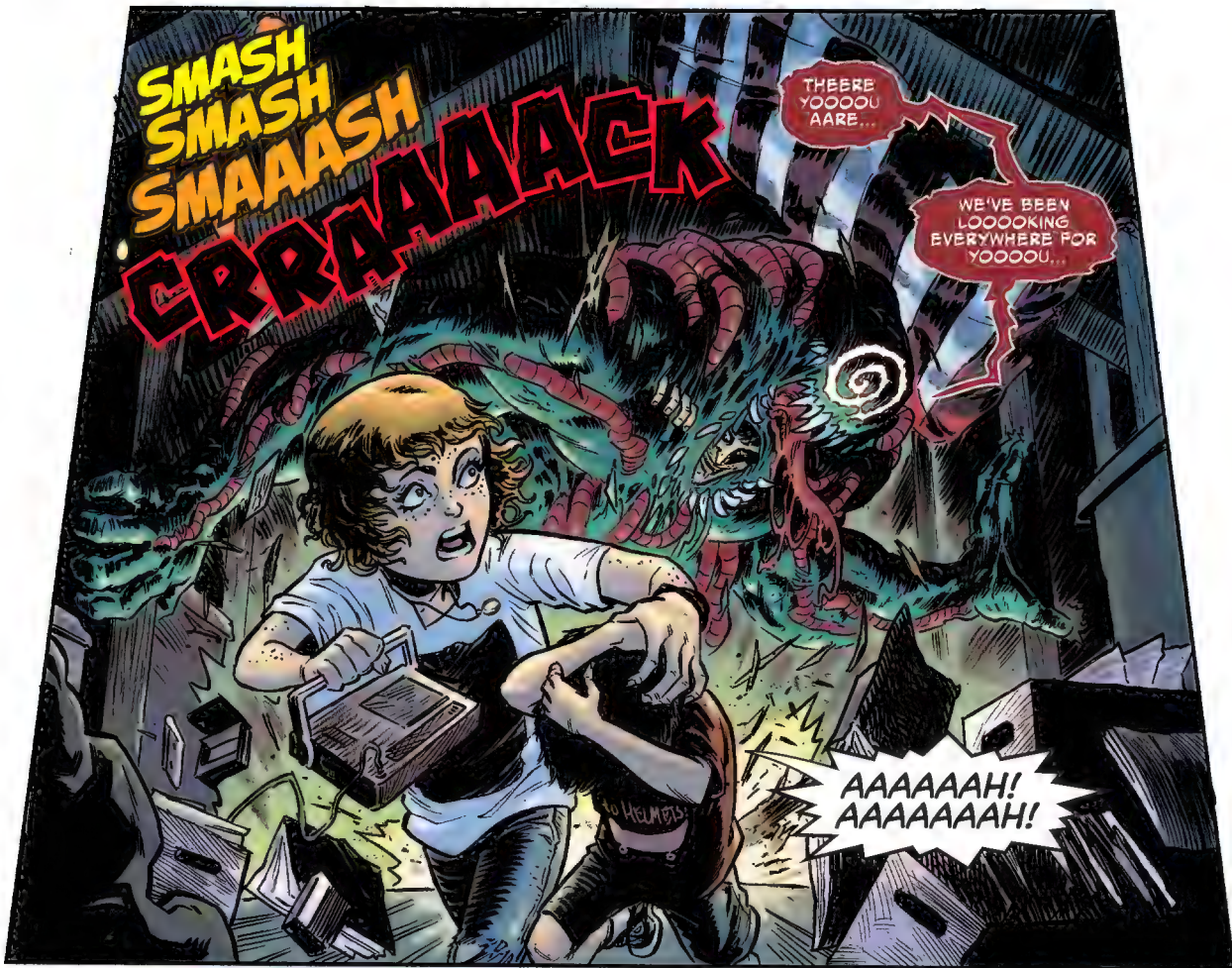


SMASH
SMASH
SMASH

AAH!



CRASH



WE HEARD
YOUR CRIES,
SADIE...

HEARD
YOUR PAIN...

WE
HAVE BEEN
SEARCHING
FOR A SAFE
HAVEN...

ISN'T
THAT WHAT
YOU ASKED FOR?
ISN'T THAT WHAT
YOU WANTED?
TO BE WHOLE
AGAIN?

ONE
BIG HAPPY
FAMILY.

CRASH

A
PLACE TO
HIDE

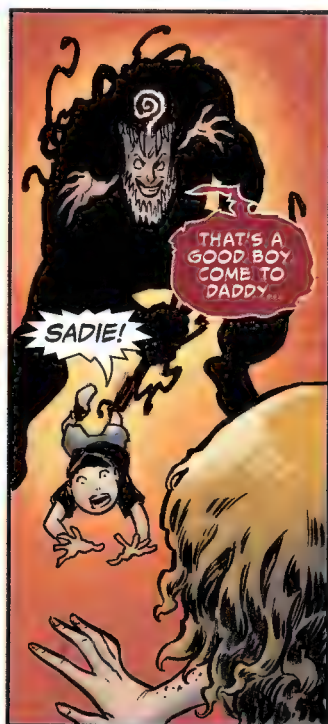
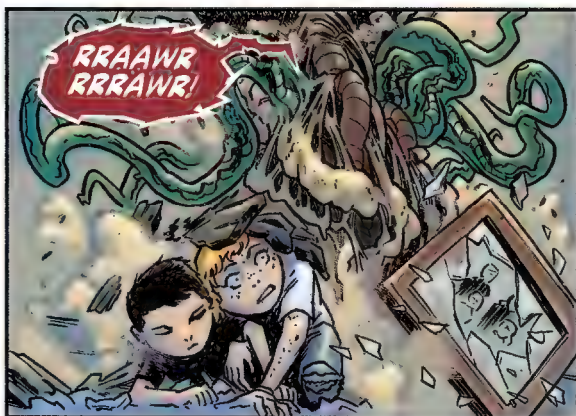
TO CALL
HOME

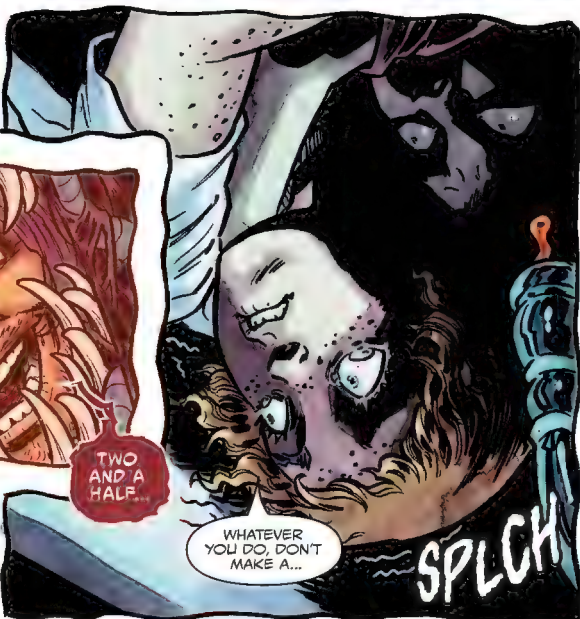
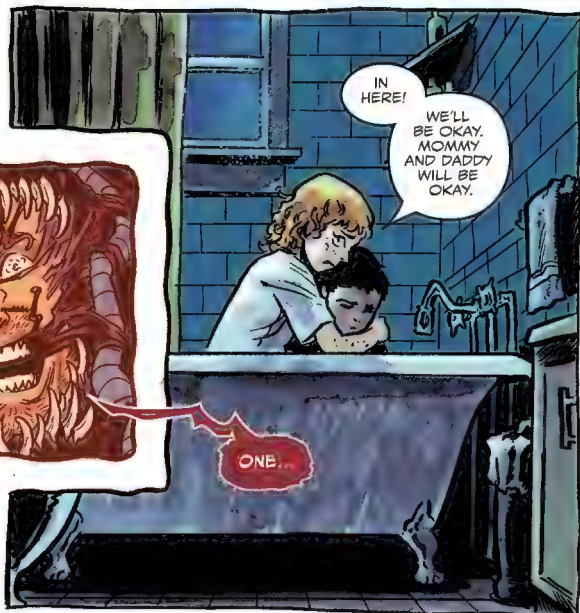
WE
CAN HEAL
YOU...ALL
OF YOU

YOUR
MOTHER...YOUR
FATHER...

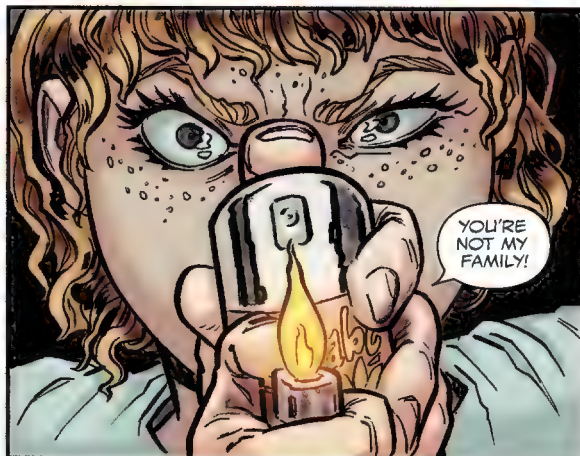
WE CAN BE
TOGETHER AGAIN.
COMPLETE
AGAIN...













**GIVE ME
BACK MY
FAMILY!**



YOU NEEDED
USSSSS. YOUR
FAMILY WAS
FALLING TO
PIECES...

YOUR
HOME RIPPED
APART.

WE WILL
HOLD YOUR HOME
TOGETHER. WE
CAN KEEP YOUR
FAMILY UNITED,
CONNECTED!

ISSEN'T
THAT WHAT YOU
WANT...? WHAT
YOU ASKED
USSS FOR?

SSSOME
QUALITY
BONDING
TIME?



pspp?

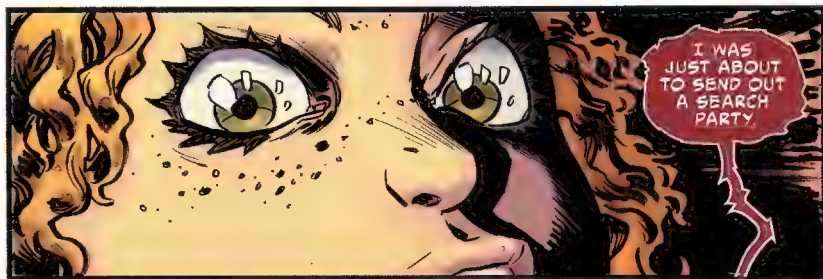
OH...



ROWR
RAWRR ROW!
YELP!



WAIT
UP, SSSSS!
DON'T LEAVE
MEEE...





GOOOD BREAD...
GOOD MEEEEAT...

GOOD GOD KNULL,
LET'S EEEEEEEAT!

**GOOD GOD KNULL,
LET'S EEEEEEEAT!**

WHAT'S THIS?
YOU'VE BARELY
TOUCHED YOUR
FOOD! YOU FEELING
OKAY? NOT
HUNGRY?

I'M
JUST
SAYING
WHAT HE
SAID!

I'D LIKE
TO PROPOSE A
TOAST... TO OUR
FAMILY.

TO
SADIE.

IF IT
WEREN'T FOR
YOU, DEAR,
NONE OF THIS
WOULD HAVE
HAPPENED

NOW WE
CAN MAKE OUR
PILGRIMAGE
TO MEET OUR
MAKER.

TO REUNITE
WITH KNULL.

YOU ARE
THE GLUE
THAT BINDS
THIS FAMILY
TOGETHER

PLOP

BLOOP

AS
ONE

TO
SADIE.

SSSSAADIEEE...

CHEERS.



NO!

YOU ARE
NOT MY
FAMILY!

SPLCH

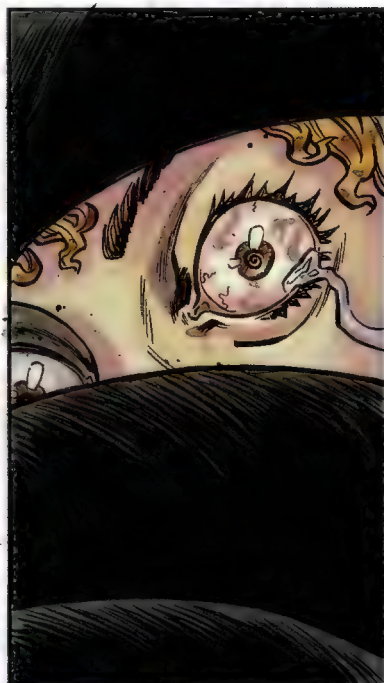
RAWWR!

RRAAAAR!

SKRRREEE!

HSSSS!

RAAAWR!
RAAAWR!



HOME.

HOME IS
WHERE THE
HEART IS.

THIS HAS ALWAYS
BEEN OUR HOME.

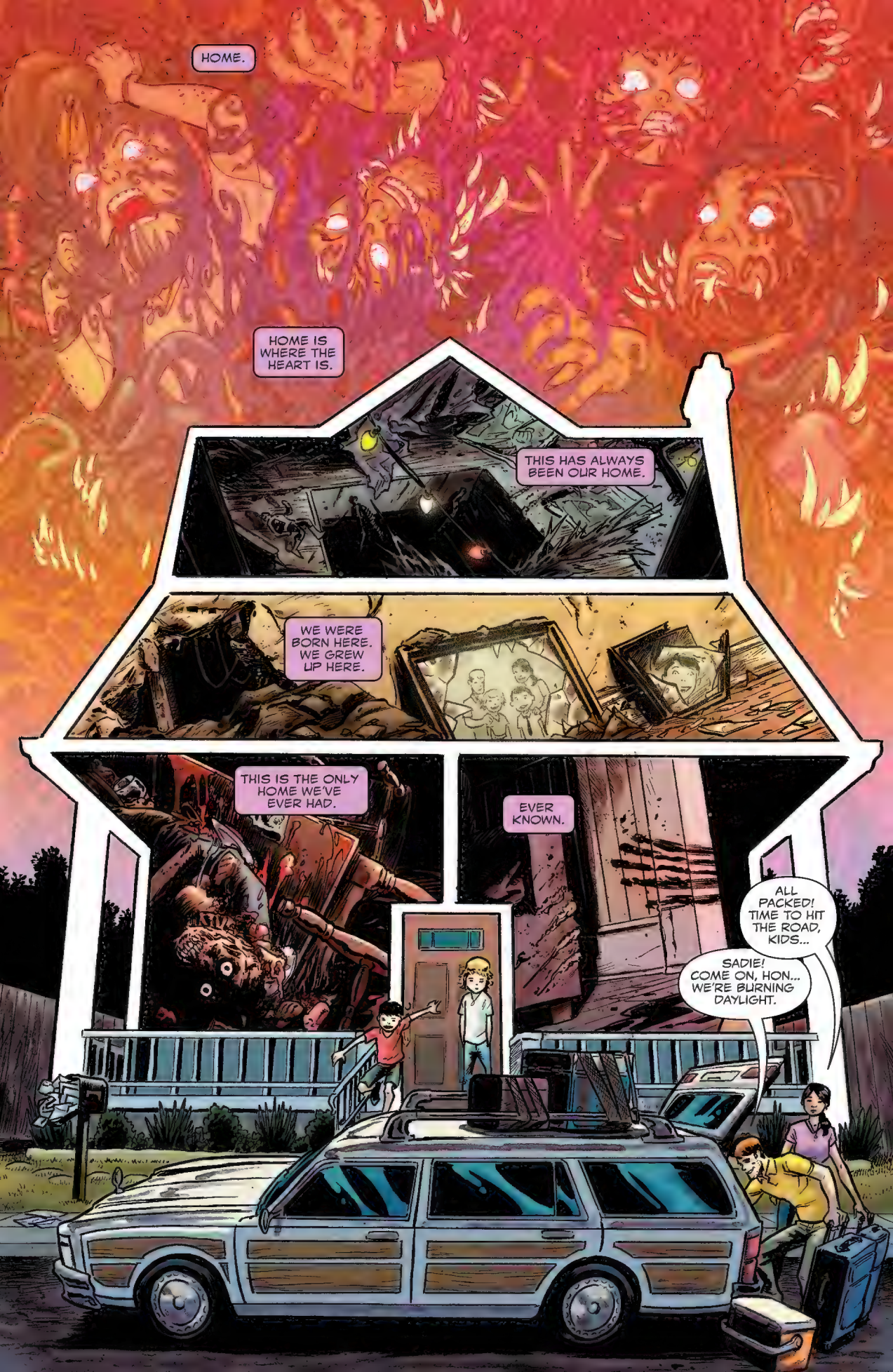
WE WERE
BORN HERE.
WE GREW
UP HERE.

THIS IS THE ONLY
HOME WE'VE
EVER HAD.

EVER
KNOWN.

ALL
PACKED!
TIME TO HIT
THE ROAD,
KIDS...

SADIE!
COME ON, HON...
WE'RE BURNING
DAYLIGHT.



**SOMETHING
RED**

**TO BE
CONTINUED
IN ABSOLUTE
CARNAGE!**



RYAN BROWN
SCREAM #1 Variant



MARK BAGLEY, JOHN DELL & MORRY HOLLOWELL
SCREAM #1-3 Connecting Variants



DECLAN SHALVEY
SCREAM #2 Codex Variant



GERARDO SANDOVAL & JASON KEITH

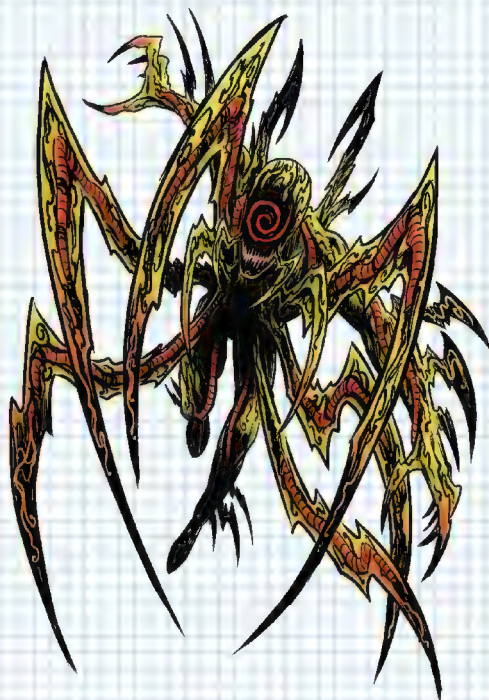
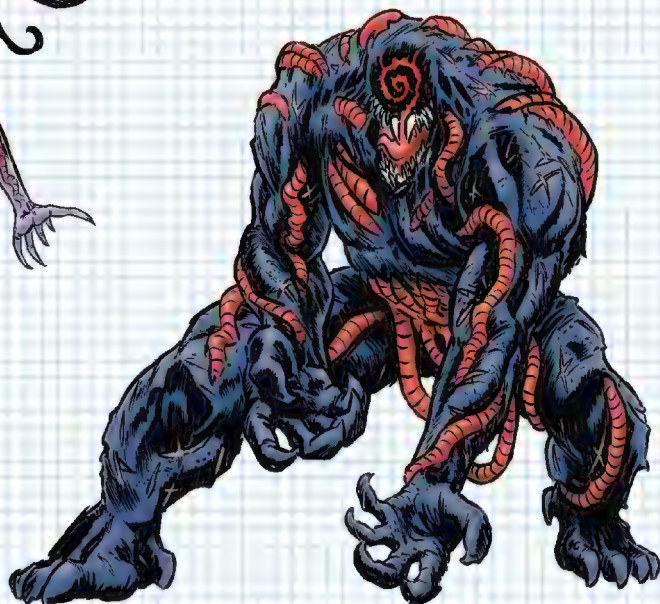
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SCREAM
RD 19

hair twists to
form a whip

- eyes
glowing

blades



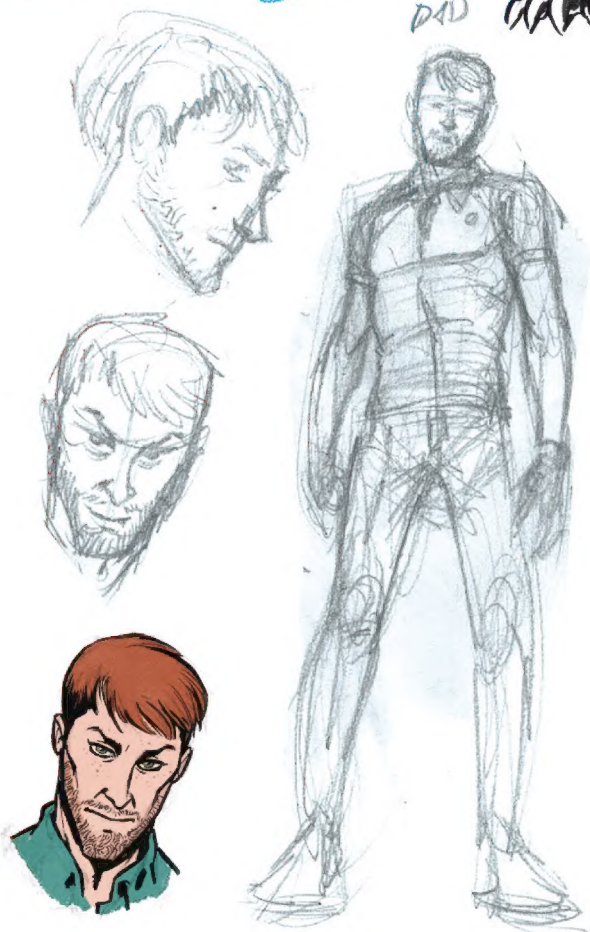
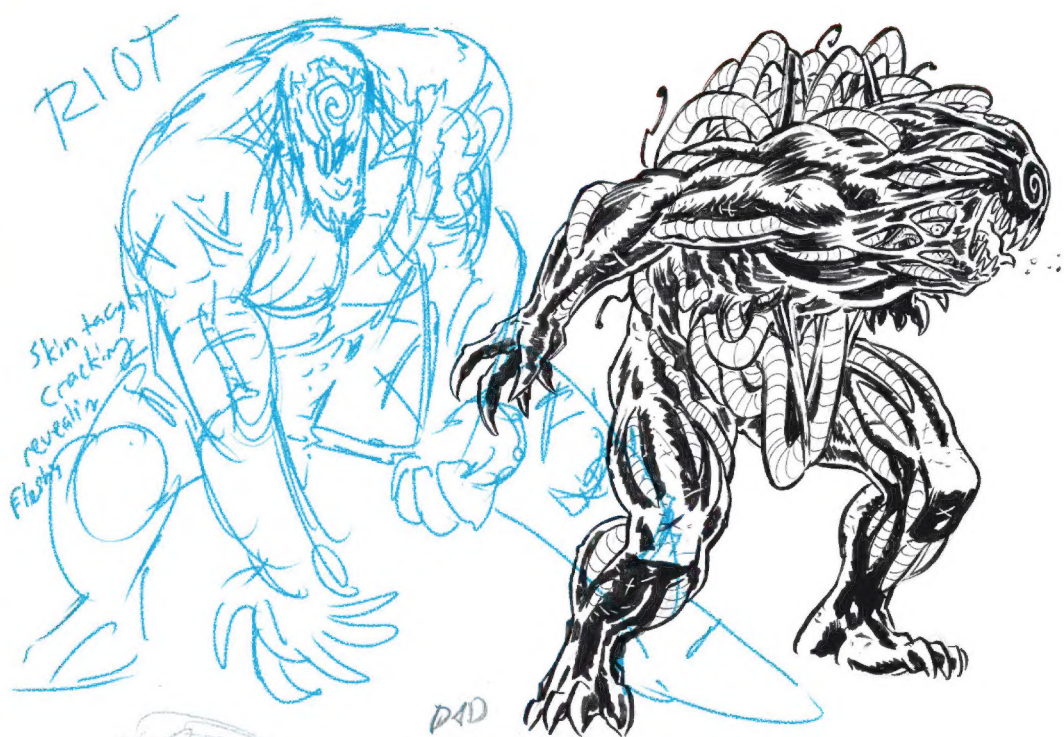


CLAYTON CRAIN
SEPARATION ANXIETY Variant



Symbiote w/out Host





PHAGE!



WITHOUT
HOST



MARK BAGLEY & JOHN DELL
SCREAM #1-3 Connecting Variant Art

THE RETURN OF A CLASSIC SYMBIOTE...
AND IT'LL BE A SCREAM!



Years ago, Patricia Robertson was unwillingly bonded to the clone of Venom that eventually became Mania — and she's been living in fear of symbiotes ever since. But she's also been living with a secret — and with **the coming of Carnage**, she must take a stand. Patricia will have no choice but to confront her demons head-on — by harnessing the power of Scream! She may think she knows symbiotes, but nothing can prepare her for Knull! Plus: Since the conclusion of **DEADPOOL vs. CARNAGE**, four of the five Life Foundation symbiotes — Riot, Phage, Agony and Lasher — have been bonded to a stray dog wandering the Midwest. But as Carnage descends on New York, the siren song of Knull is calling!

Collecting **ABSOLUTE CARNAGE: SCREAM #1-3** and **ABSOLUTE CARNAGE: SEPARATION ANXIETY** — by Cullen Bunn, Clay McLeod Chapman, Gerardo Sandoval, Alex Arizmendi, Brian Level, Victor Nava, Erick Arciniega and Jordan Boyd.

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MARVEL